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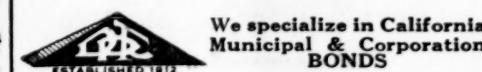
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Bank Statements**BATTERY PARK NATIONAL BANK****NO. 2 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.**

Condensed Statement Sept. 8, 1920.

RESOURCES

Due from Federal Reserve Bank	\$1,985,331.06
Cash and Due from Banks	428,599.78
Exchanges for Clearing House	3,180,284.25
Bonds and Stocks	698,842.92
Loans and Discounts	14,260,641.80
Due from U. S. Treasurer	10,000.00
Interest Earned and Unpaid	17,838.13
Customers' Liability under Letters of Credit outstanding	1,199,869.66
Furniture and Fixtures	78,068.57
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	\$21,859,376.17

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$1,500,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	1,614,104.18
Unearned Interest	50,413.35
Reserve for Interest and Taxes	58,116.62
Circulating Notes	192,300.00
Bills Payable	866,000.00
Commercial Letter of Credit Acceptances	555,578.68
Deposits	17,022,863.34
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	\$21,859,376.17

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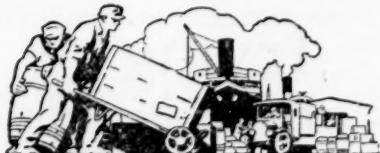
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GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION.
The Board of Directors of General Motors Corporation has declared a dividend of \$1.50 a share on the preferred stock, a dividend of \$1.50 a share on the 6% Debenture stock, a dividend of \$1.75 a share on the 7% debenture stock, and a dividend of 25c. a share in cash and one-fortieth of a share in common stock without par value on the common stock without par value, payable November 1, 1920, to holders of record at the close of business October 5, 1920.
Non-dividend paying warrants will be issued for fractional shares, which may be exchanged at any time for stock certificates when presented in amounts equal to whole numbers of shares.
M. L. PRENSKY, Treasurer.
September 23, 1920.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.
Five-Year 7% Convertible Gold Notes
Due April 1, 1925.

Coupons from these notes, payable by their terms on October 1, 1920, at the principal office of the trustee in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, will be paid at the Guaranty Trust Company of New York at 140 Broadway.
R. A. NICKERSON, Treasurer.

LOCKWOOD, GREENE & CO., MANAGERS,
Boston, Mass.
The quarterly dividend of 2% upon the common stock of Winnsboro Mills has been declared payable October 1, 1920, at the office of the Company, 60 Federal Street, Boston, Mass., to all holders of record at the close of business September 22, 1920.
WINNSBORO MILLS,
Henry C. Everett, Jr., Treasurer.

LOCKWOOD, GREENE & CO., MANAGERS,
Boston, Mass.
The quarterly dividend of 1 1/4% upon the preferred stock of Winnsboro Mills has been declared payable October 1, 1920, at the office of the Transfer Agents, the New England Trust Company, Boston, Mass., to all holders of record at the close of business September 22, 1920.
WINNSBORO MILLS,
Henry C. Everett, Jr., Treasurer.

THE MATHIESON ALKALI WORKS (INC.)
New York, Sept. 16 1920.
A quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent (1 3/4%) has been declared upon the preferred stock, payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 20, 1920. Transfer books will not be closed.
FRANCIS B. RICHARDS, Treasurer.

Dividends

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THE FOLLOWING COUPONS AND DIVIDENDS ARE PAYABLE AT OUR BANKING HOUSE DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1920.

OCTOBER 1ST, 1920.

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OCTOBER 5TH, 1920.

Pittsburgh Ft. Wayne & Chicago Ry. Co., Preferred and Original Stock dividend, 1 1/4%.

THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

No. 25 Broad Street, New York, September 21, 1920. A quarterly dividend of ONE (1) PER CENT has this day been declared upon the Preferred Stock of this Company, from surplus earnings of the current fiscal year, payable October 15, 1920, to stockholders of record at 3:00 o'clock p.m., September 30, 1920.

Checks in payment thereof will be mailed to stockholders at the addresses last furnished the Transfer Agent.

G. C. HAND, Secretary.

READING COMPANY**General Office, Reading Terminal**

Philadelphia, September 16, 1920.

The Board of Directors has declared from the net earnings a quarterly dividend of one per cent on the Second Preferred Stock of the Company, to be paid on October 14, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 28, 1920. Checks will be mailed to stockholders who have filed dividend orders with the Treasurer.

JAY V. HARE, Secretary.

UNITED LIGHT AND RAILWAYS COMPANY

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Preferred Stock Dividend No. 40

The Board of Directors has declared a dividend of one and one-half (1 1/2%) per cent on the First Preferred Stock, payable out of the surplus earnings, on October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business Wednesday, September 15, 1920.

First Preferred Stock transfer books will reopen for transfer of stock certificates at the opening of business, September 16, 1920.

H. H. HEINKE, Secretary.

September 3, 1920.

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National Banking Association

New York, Sept. 14, 1920.

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FRED'K C. METZ, JR., Cashier.

Irving**National Bank**

New York

New York, Sept. 21, 1920.

The Board of Directors has this day declared a quarterly dividend of Three Dollars (\$3.00) per share on the capital stock of this Bank, payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 24, 1920.

PHILIP F. GRAY,
Cashier.

Dividends

E. W. CLARK & CO., Bankers.
Office of the
BANGOR RAILWAY & ELECTRIC CO.
Bangor, Maine
PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 36
The Board of Directors of the Bangor Railway & Electric Co. has declared the regular quarterly dividend of One and three-quarters per cent. (1 3/4%) upon the Preferred stock of the company, payable Oct. 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business Sept. 18, 1920. Checks will be mailed.
HOWARD CORNING, Treas.

September 21, 1920.
ELMIRA WATER, LIGHT AND RAILROAD COMPANY
Elmira, N. Y.

has declared a dividend of one and three-quarters percent. (1 3/4%) on the Seven Per Centum Cumulative First Preferred Stock of this Company, and a dividend of one and one-quarter per cent. (1 3/4%) on the Five Per Centum Cumulative Second Preferred Stock of this Company, payable Sept. 30, 1920, to stockholders of record Sept. 21, 1920.

H. B. CLEVELAND, Treasurer.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.
Three Year Six Per Cent Gold Notes
Due October 1, 1922

Coupons from these notes, payable by their terms on October 1, 1922, at the office or agency of the Company in New York or in Boston, will be paid in New York at the Bankers Trust Company, 16 Wall Street.

G. D. MILNE, Treasurer.

International Agricultural Corporation

New York, September 17, 1920.
The Board of Directors of the International Agricultural Corporation has this day declared a quarterly dividend of one and one-quarter (1 3/4%) per cent on the Preferred Stock of the corporation, payable October 15, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 30, 1920. The transfer books will not be closed.

JOHN J. WATSON, JR., Treasurer.

J. I. CASE THRESHING MACHINE COMPANY
(Incorporated).

Racine, Wis., U. S. A., August 13, 1920.
The regular quarter-yearly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) per share upon the outstanding PREFERRED STOCK of this Company has been declared, payable October 1, 1920, to the holders of Preferred Stock of record at the close of business Monday, September 13, 1920.

WM. F. SAWYER, Secretary.

Central Bond & Mortgage Company

Preferred Stock Dividend No. 22.
Notice is hereby given that the regular quarterly dividend of 1 3/4% has been declared on the issued and outstanding preferred stock of this company, payable Sept. 30, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 25, 1920.

WM. M. SCHELLINGER, Asst. Sec'y.

September 17, 1920.

HARRISBURG LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY.

Harrisburg, Pa.
The Board of Directors have declared a regular quarterly dividend of one and one-half per cent (1 1/2%) on the Preferred Stock of this Company, payable September 30, 1920, to stockholders of record September 17, 1920.

H. W. STONE, Treasurer.

VANADIUM CORPORATION OF AMERICA

New York, June 18, 1920.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a quarterly dividend of One Dollar Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per share, payable October 15, 1920, to stockholders of record at 3 P. M., October 1, 1920.

L. K. DIFFENDERFER, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE United Gas Improvement Co.

N. W. Corner Broad and Arch Streets,
Philadelphia, September 8, 1920.
The Directors have this day declared a quarterly dividend of two per cent (\$1 per share) on the Common Stock of this Company, payable October 15, 1920, to holders of Common Stock of record at the close of business, September 30, 1920. Checks will be mailed.

I. W. MORRIS, Treasurer.

WARREN BROTHERS COMPANY.

PREFERRED DIVIDEND NO. 74.
Dividends of one and one-half per cent on the First Preferred Stock and one and three-quarters per cent on the Second Preferred Stock of this Company have been declared for the quarter ending September 30th, 1920, payable on October 1st, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business on September 25th, 1920.

JOHN DEARBORN,
Vice-President & Treasurer.

UNITED FRUIT COMPANY

DIVIDEND NO. 85
A quarterly dividend of three per cent (three dollars per share) on the capital stock of this Company has been declared, payable on October 15, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 20, 1920.

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Montgomery County, Ohio, 5 1/2s	1927-28	5.75
Birmingham, Ala., 5 1/4s	1930	6.00
Seabright, N. J., 6s	1926	5.00
Salisbury, N. C., 6s	1924-30	6.00-6.25
New Bern, N. C., 6s	1922	6.50
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Dividends**OFFICE OF VIRGINIA-CAROLINA CHEMICAL CO.**

Richmond, Va., September 23, 1920.

The Board of Directors of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company have this day declared a quarterly dividend of One Dollar per share (1%), being Dividend No. 55, on the common stock of this company, payable Monday, November 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Friday, October 15, 1920.

Transfer books will not be closed.

E. E. COLES, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF VIRGINIA-CAROLINA CHEMICAL CO.

Richmond, Va., September 23, 1920.

The Board of Directors of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company have this day declared the 100th consecutive quarterly dividend of \$2 per share (2%) on the preferred stock of this company, payable Friday, October 15, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Saturday, October 2, 1920.

Transfer books will not be closed.

E. E. COLES, Treasurer.

Asheville Power & Light Company

PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 34.

The Board of Directors of this Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of one and three-fourths (1 3/4%) per cent on the Preferred stock of the Company, payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 22, 1920.

WILLIAM REISER, Treasurer.

Yadkin River Power Company.

PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 18.

The Board of Directors of this Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of one and three-fourths (1 3/4%) per cent on the Preferred Stock of the Company, payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 22, 1920.

WILLIAM REISER, Treasurer.

THE YALE & TOWNE MANUFACTURING CO.

Dividend No. 108.

A dividend, No. 108, of five per cent. (5%) for the quarter ending September 30th, 1920, has been declared by the Board of Directors out of past earnings, payable October 1st, to Stockholders of record at the close of business September 25th.

J. H. TOWNE, Secretary.

CONSOLIDATED CIGAR CORPORATION

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on 14th day of September, 1920, a quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the Common stock of this company was declared, payable Oct. 15, 1920, to stockholders of record Oct. 1, 1920.

Checks will be mailed by the Columbia Trust Co., Dividend Disbursing Agents.

Dated New York, September 15, 1920.

LOUIS CAHN, Secretary.

CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO.

PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 46.

The Board of Directors of this Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters (1 3/4%) per cent on the Preferred Stock of the Company, payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 22, 1920.

WILLIAM REISER, Treasurer.

Dividends

September 7, 1920.

Houston Gas and Fuel Company

HOUSTON, TEXAS.

The regular quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent (1 3/4%) on the Preferred Stock of this Company has been declared, payable September 30th, 1920, to stockholders of record September 7, 1920.

J. A. MCKENNA, Secretary.

BARNET LEATHER CO. INC.

81 Fulton St., New York, Sept. 20, 1920.

A quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters (1 3/4%) per cent has been declared upon the preferred stock of Barnet Leather Co. Inc., payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business September 30, 1920.

Checks will be mailed.

M. H. HEYMAN, Treasurer.

AMERICAN POWER & LIGHT CO.

71 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 44.
The regular quarterly dividend of 1 3/4% on the Preferred Stock of the American Power & Light Company has been declared, payable October 1, 1920, to preferred stockholders of record at the close of business September 23, 1920.

WILLIAM REISER, Treasurer.

CRUCIBLE STEEL COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Pittsburgh, Pa., September 16, 1920.

DIVIDEND NO. 6—A dividend of two per cent (2%) has been declared out of undivided profits, upon the Common Stock of this Company, payable October 30, 1920, to stockholders of record October 15, 1920. Checks will be mailed.

Transfer Books will not be closed.

H. F. KRESS, Secretary.

AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY.
A quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% on the Preferred Stock of this Company, for the three months ending September 30, 1920, has been declared payable October 1, 1920, to stockholders of record as at the close of business on September 22, 1920. The Transfer Books will not be closed.

C. M. GRANT, Treasurer.

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Bank Statements



THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK AND BRANCHES

Condensed Statement of Condition as of September 8, 1920

ASSETS

CASH on Hand, in Federal Reserve Bank, due from Banks, Bankers and U. S. Treasurer	\$231,089,076.57
Acceptances of Other Banks	10,662,822.71
United States Treasury Certificates	19,454,000.00
	\$261,205,899.28
 Loans and Discounts	 594,808,049.62
United States Bonds, other Bonds and Securities	38,047,965.13
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,800,000.00
	634,656,014.75
 Banking House	 5,000,000.00
Due from Branches	8,425,402.57
Customers' Liability Account of Acceptances	70,341,181.74
Other Assets	3,226,076.37
	 \$982,854,574.71

LIABILITIES

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits	\$86,405,999.86
Deposits	652,560,689.24
Reserved for Taxes and Interest Accrued	4,028,781.30
Unearned Discount	3,425,234.54
Circulation	1,394,432.50
Due to Federal Reserve Bank	133,057,807.02
Other Bank Acceptances and Foreign Bills sold with our Endorsement	21,851,006.60
Acceptances, Cash Letters of Credit and Travelers' Checks	74,339,959.13
Bonds Borrowed	2,333,200.00
Other Liabilities	3,457,464.52
	 \$982,854,574.71

Head Office
55 Wall Street
New York

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The First National Bank of New York

at the close of business September 8, 1920.

RESOURCES.

Discounts and time loans	\$60,662,771.61
Customers' liability account of acceptances	4,447,865.00
Overdrafts	8,100.89
Interest earned but not collected, approximate	610,623.91
U. S. bonds and certificates of indebtedness, owned, unpledged	4,748,662.64
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	7,584,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure bills payable	35,560,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure trust funds	1,100,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure Treasury savings certificates	25,000.00
U. S. certificates of indebtedness to secure bills payable	60,440,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	41,304,105.53
Bonds to secure U. S. deposits	27,774,718.43
Bonds to secure trust funds	25,000.00
Banking house	1,750,000.00
War savings certificates and thrift stamps	\$848.00
Specie, etc.	15,646.77
Legal tenders and bank notes	1,230,262.50
Due from Treasurer of United States	11,003.25
Exchanges	20,408,385.83
Due from banks	4,285,633.36
Demand loans	71,315,226.84
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	21,279,370.61
	118,546,377.16

LIABILITIES.

Capital	\$10,000,000.00
Surplus	20,000,000.00
Profits	16,127,970.42
Interest and discount collected but not earned—approximate	239,185.90
Circulation	7,314,197.50
Deposits, banks	\$44,988,998.98
Deposits, individuals	156,618,261.59
Deposits, U. S.	5,400,000.00
Bills payable	207,007,260.57
Bonds borrowed	96,000,000.00
Reserved for taxes	210,000.00
Acceptances	3,240,745.78
	4,447,865.00

I, FRANCIS L. HINE, President of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRANCIS L. HINE, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of September, 1920.

HERBERT F. CHRISTIE,
Notary Public, N. Y. Co. No. 77.
N. Y. County Reg. No. 1102.

Correct—Attest:
GEO. F. BAKER,
JOHN R. MORRON, Director,
CHARLES D. NORTON.

The New York Trust Company

26 BROAD STREET

Coupons and Registered Interest Due October 1st, 1920

Birmingham Railway, Light & Power Co., 4½s	New London Gas & Electric Co., 2n d Mtge. 5s
Black Mountain Railway Co., 1st Mtge. 5s	New York & Stamford Railway Co., 1st Mtge. 5s
Citizens Gas & Fuel Co. of Terre Haute, 1st Mtge. 5s	Peekskill Lighting & Railroad Co., 1st Mtge. 5s
Columbia University Club, 5s	Pine Bluff Natural Gas Co., 20-Yr. 1st Gold 6s
Columbus, London & Springfield Ry. Co., 1st Mtge. 5s	Radford Water Power Co. 6s
Consolidated Light & Power Co. of Whitehall, 1st Mtge. 5s	Santa Fe Water & Light Co., 1st Mtge. Prior Lien 5s
Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Co., Cumulative Adj. 7% Gold	Santa Fe Water & Light Co., 1st Cons. Mtge. 4s
Erie Electric Motor Co., 1st Ref. Skg. Fund Gold Bonds 5s	Spring Brook Water Supply Co., 1st Mtge. 5s
Fonda Johnstown & Gloversville RR. Co., Cons. 6s	Tomkins Cove Stone Co., 1st Mtge. 6s
Fulton Light, Heat & Power Co., 1st Mtge. 5s	The Tri-City Railway & Light Co., 1st Lien 5% Collateral Trust
Gary Street Railway Co., 20-Year Deb. 5s	Union Electric Co., Dillon, Mont., 1st Mtge. 5s
Kansas City Southern Railway Co., 1st Mtge. 3s	United Light & Rys. Co., 7% Secured Gold Notes Series B
Kingsport Utilities, Inc., 3-Yr. 6% Gold Notes	United Light & Railways Co., 7% Secured Gold Notes, Series of 1920.
Kingsport Utilities Inc., 1st Mtge. 20-Yr. Gold 6s	Charles Whittemore Navigation Corporation, 1st S. F. 7% Gold
Lincoln Heat, Light & Power Co., 1st Mtge. 5s	DUE OCTOBER 15TH, 1920.
Marine Operating Co., Inc., 7% General Gold Notes	City of Excelsior Springs, Mo., Funding Bond
Monterey Light & Power Co., 1st Gold 6s	French American Steamship Co., Inc., 1st S. F. Gold 7s, Series A
New London Gas & Electric Co., 1st Mtge. 5s	French American Steamship Co., Inc., 1st S. F. Gold 7s, Series B

Financial

\$3,000,000

William F. Mosser Company**8% Ten-Year Sinking Fund Gold Notes****Principal and Interest Guaranteed by Morris & Company****Packers, Union Stock Yards, Chicago****Dated October 1, 1920****Due October 1, 1930**

Interest payable on April 1 and October 1 in New York and Chicago. Coupon Notes in denominations of \$1,000, \$500 and \$100, interchangeable up to and including October 1, 1922. Redeemable at the option of the Company, as a whole or in part, on any interest payment date on 60 days' published notice at 107 during 1921, 1922 and 1923, 106 during 1924, 105 during 1925, 104 during 1926, 103 during 1927, 102 during 1928, 101 during 1929 and on April 1, 1930.

INTEREST PAYABLE WITHOUT DEDUCTION FOR NORMAL FEDERAL INCOME TAX, NOT IN EXCESS OF 2%**CONTINENTAL AND COMMERCIAL TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, CHICAGO, TRUSTEE**

Further Information in regard to this issue is given in a letter of Mr. Nelson Morris, President of William F. Mosser Company, from which we summarize as follows:

William F. Mosser Company is engaged in the tanning of hides and manufacture and sale of leather. The Company was incorporated January 1, 1908, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has plants at Richwood, West Virginia, and at Westover, Pennsylvania. The combined daily capacity of these plants is about 100,000 pounds of raw hides.

All of the capital stock of William F. Mosser Company is owned by Morris & Company, who will guarantee the prompt payment of the principal and interest of these notes.

The entire proceeds from the sale thereof will be applied to the reduction of current obligations, thereby not increasing the indebtedness of the Company.

The Company's balance sheet as of January 3, 1920, discloses total tangible assets of \$10,250,770.39. After giving effect in this balance sheet to the proceeds of the present financing, net current assets approximate \$7,242,000, and net tangible assets \$8,346,000, before deduction of the present issue of \$3,000,000 notes. William F. Mosser Company has no funded indebtedness other than this issue.

During the four fiscal years, 1916 to 1919, inclusive, the average annual earnings of the Company available for interest charges after all deductions

except Federal taxes were \$855,824.14; average net profits for the same period available for interest charges after all deductions including Federal taxes were \$761,529.40. The average annual interest charges during this period were \$186,273.26.

The Indenture, among other things, will provide that the Company will not create any mortgage or lien of any kind upon its properties or assets, or pledge any of its properties or assets, except that the Company may acquire property subject to purchase money mortgages for not to exceed 75% of the fair value of the property covered by said mortgages, and except as liens may be created in respect to drafts drawn in connection with foreign exports and imports in the regular course of business.

The Company agrees to maintain current assets (as defined by the Indenture) in an aggregate amount equal to at least one and one-half times all current liabilities (as likewise defined in the Indenture), including all notes of this issue outstanding and any purchase money mortgage indebtedness maturing on or prior to the date of the maturity of these notes and any other issues of notes or debentures at any time outstanding.

A Sinking Fund is provided beginning April 1, 1923, which will retire in semi-annual installments \$1,500,000 par value Notes before maturity.

PRICE 100 AND INTEREST, YIELDING 8%

All legal matters will be approved by Messrs. Mayer, Meyer, Austrian & Platt, Chicago. Temporary negotiable certificates, exchangeable for definitive notes, will be delivered when, as and if issued and received by us.

**Continental and Commercial
Trust and Savings Bank**
Chicago

F. S. Moseley & Co.
Boston New York Chicago

Halsey, Stuart & Co.
Incorporated—Successors to
N. W. HALSEY & CO., Chicago
Chicago New York

The Merchants Loan & Trust Co.
Chicago

The above statements are not guaranteed, but are based upon information which we believe to be accurate and reliable, and upon which we have acted in the purchase of these notes.

Financial

\$2,200,000

7 Per Cent Equipment Notes

Guaranteed as to Principal and Interest by Endorsement by

Pressed Steel Car Company

Dated October 1, 1920. Due serially, \$110,000 April 1 and October 1 of each year from April 1, 1921, to October 1, 1930, inclusive. Redeemable at the option of the Company in whole or in part on any interest date upon 30 days' notice at 102½. If less than all the Notes of any one maturity shall be called at any one time, Notes to be redeemed shall be selected by lot by the Trustee, and if less than the entire issue is called, the Notes of the last maturity or maturities outstanding shall be first called. Principal and semi-annual interest (April 1 and October 1) payable in United States Gold Coin at the New York Trust Company in New York. Coupon Notes in denomination of \$1,000. Registrable as to principal. New York Trust Company, New York, Trustee.

**The Company Agrees to Pay Any Federal Income Tax Deductible
at the Source Not Exceeding 2 Per Cent**

BUSINESS The Pressed Steel Car Company was organized under the laws of New Jersey in 1899 to acquire the principal pressed steel car manufacturing plants in the United States, and has since materially expanded. Its business consists of the manufacture of steel passenger and freight cars, trucks, truck frames, bolsters and other pressed steel specialties for wooden and steel cars.

SECURITY In addition to being guaranteed, principal and interest, by the endorsement of the Pressed Steel Car Company, these Equipment Notes represent the obligation of the Steel Car Equipment Company which is organized to lease cars to railroads or industrial corporations requiring their use, and all the capital stock of which is owned by the Pressed Steel Car Company. They are issued under the conditional sale or so-called lease plan, by which title to the cars will be vested in the Trustee until all the Notes have been paid. They will be secured by 1,000 new, all-steel, self-clearing standard hopper coal cars of 55 tons capacity each, costing \$2,934,000, which provides an equity of more than 33 per cent over the total amount of the Notes issued.

ASSETS The Pressed Steel Car Company, which will guarantee these Notes, principal and interest, by endorsement, has \$12,500,000 Preferred Stock, \$12,500,000 Common Stock and **no bonded debt**. It reports total net assets as of December 31, 1919, of \$40,264,188; current assets of \$13,022,668, and current liabilities of \$4,958,130.

EARNINGS Average annual net earnings of the Pressed Steel Car Company for the past six years have been reported at \$2,447,364, or **more than 15 times the maximum annual interest requirements** on these Notes. For the year 1919 earnings were reported equivalent to **more than 23 times** these requirements. Not only is the Company paying dividends of 7 per cent on its Preferred Stock and 8 per cent on its Common Stock, but it has been consistently adding large amounts to its reserves and surplus for a number of years. The official net earnings by years follow:

1919	1918	1917	1916	1915	1914
\$3,634,776	\$3,950,785	\$2,130,307	\$2,751,152	\$1,324,814	\$892,351

LEGALITY The form of conditional sale agreement, title to the cars, and other legal proceedings incident to the issue will be passed upon by Messrs. Reed, Smith, Shaw & Beal, attorneys, Pittsburgh, for the Company, and Messrs. Schaffner & Friend, attorneys, of Chicago, for the Bankers.

We recommend these Notes for investment, and offer them subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued and delivered to us, and subject to approval of counsel.

MATURITIES AND PRICES

Amount	Maturity	Price	Yield	Amount	Maturity	Price	Yield
\$110,000	April 1, 1921	99.52	8.00	\$110,000	April 1, 1926	96.69	7.75
110,000	Oct. 1, 1921	99.06	8.00	110,000	Oct. 1, 1926	96.45	7.75
110,000	April 1, 1922	98.61	8.00	110,000	April 1, 1927	96.84	7.625
110,000	Oct. 1, 1922	98.19	8.00	110,000	Oct. 1, 1927	96.66	7.625
110,000	April 1, 1923	97.77	8.00	110,000	April 1, 1928	96.47	7.625
110,000	Oct. 1, 1923	97.70	7.875	110,000	Oct. 1, 1928	96.31	7.625
110,000	April 1, 1924	97.37	7.875	110,000	April 1, 1929	96.90	7.50
110,000	Oct. 1, 1924	97.05	7.875	110,000	Oct. 1, 1929	96.77	7.50
110,000	April 1, 1925	97.20	7.75	110,000	April 1, 1930	96.65	7.50
110,000	Oct. 1, 1925	96.94	7.75	110,000	Oct. 1, 1930	96.52	7.50

(Accrued interest to be added)

Descriptive Circular Furnished upon Request.

A. G. Becker & Co.111 Broadway
New York

St. Louis

137 S. LaSalle St.
Chicago

San Francisco

Ames, Emerich & Co.111 Broadway
New York105 S. LaSalle St.
Chicago

1st Wisconsin Natl. Bank Bldg., Milwaukee

The information contained above is obtained from official sources, and constitutes the data on which we have based our purchase of the securities offered.

Financial

\$20,000,000

Bethlehem Steel Company**Fifteen Year 7% Marine Equipment Trust Certificates**

TO BE ISSUED UNDER THE PHILADELPHIA PLAN

To be dated October 1, 1920, to mature October 1, 1935

Certificates in denomination of \$1,000, registerable as to principal. Dividend warrants payable semi-annually April 1 and October 1. Principal and dividends payable at Guaranty Trust Company of New York. Redeemable at any time on 20 days' notice at 102½ and accrued dividends. Authorized and to be issued \$20,000,000.

Certificates are to be retired by purchase or by call by lot if not obtainable at not exceeding the call price, at the rate of \$1,000,000 on or before each dividend date from April 1, 1922, to October 1, 1927, inclusive, and \$500,000 on or before each dividend date thereafter until maturity; these amounts to be ratably reduced if Certificates are redeemed in advance of schedule. Certificates so retired to be canceled.

Guaranty Trust Company of New York, Trustee

The following information has been furnished us by Bethlehem Steel Company and Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd.:

These Certificates are to be issued pursuant to an Equipment Trust Agreement under which the Trustee or its nominee will hold title to five steamships of 20,000 dead-weight tons each, to be constructed, and to five steamships already constructed totaling 52,417 deadweight tons (all of which are less than three years old and one of which has just been delivered). This fleet of ten ships, aggregating approximately 152,417 deadweight tons, will be employed for the transportation of ore from the Bethlehem iron mines in Chile and Cuba for use in Bethlehem Steel Company's plants. All ships are so constructed as to provide for efficiently carrying other commodities, thus substantially increasing their earning power through return cargoes.

The purchase price of the five ships to be constructed and the current reproduction value less depreciation of the five ships now in service aggregate over \$30,000,000, or 50% more than the maximum amount of Certificates to be issued, and this margin of 50% in excess of outstanding Certificates must, as below set forth, constantly be maintained.

Title to these ships is to be vested in the Trustee or its nominee, and they are to be chartered to Bethlehem Steel Company, which will pay charter hire in semi-annual installments that will cover dividend warrants and retire the entire issue by maturity. These charter payments will be guaranteed by Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd., thus placing behind these Certificates the strength and credit of substantially the entire Bethlehem system.

Title to any ship will be relinquished (provided that the number of ships held shall not thus be reduced below five) upon deposit of an amount of cash sufficient to retire a ratable face amount of Certificates, in which case the charter hire thereafter payable shall be ratably reduced.

The Trust Agreement and Charter will further provide that if at any time after completion and delivery of the ships to be constructed the depreciated value (calculated upon the then current reproduction cost new of similar tonnage, less depreciation at the rate of 5% per annum from the respective dates of construction) of the ships held falls below 150% of the amount of then outstanding Certificates in excess of deposited cash, Bethlehem Steel Company will agree to maintain this margin by the delivery of additional ships or by pledge of United States Government obligations, or Bethlehem Steel Corporation's Consolidated Mortgage Bonds or certain underlying bonds, or other securities which shall be legal investment for trustees in the State of New York, all such securities to be taken at their market value.

Pending completion and delivery of the ships about to be constructed, Bethlehem Steel Company will agree to maintain the above mentioned margin of 50% in tonnage under construction or in operation, or in the securities above mentioned, in respect of all Certificates not covered by their face amount in cash or United States Government obligations of equivalent market value held by the Trustee.

All of these ships will be under American registry and will bear the highest classification under the American Bureau of Shipping. They will carry customary insurance against fire and marine risk, such insurance in case of total loss to aggregate at least 125% of the principal amount of Certificates outstanding, proper deduction being made for cash and securities held by the Trustee.

The entire capital stock, excepting directors' shares, of both Bethlehem Steel Company and Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd., is owned by Bethlehem Steel Corporation and the combined earnings of these two subsidiaries comprise practically the entire earnings of Bethlehem Steel Corporation, which have been as follows:

<u>Years ended December 31</u>	<u>1917.</u>	<u>1918.</u>	<u>1919.</u>
Gross Sales -----	\$298,929,531	\$448,410,808	\$281,641,907
Net Earnings (after all Taxes, Maintenance, etc.) -----	\$53,979,360	\$57,188,769	\$37,441,218
Interest and Proportion of Discount-----	8,746,982	9,748,013	9,518,206
Balance -----	\$45,232,378	\$47,440,756	\$27,923,012
Depreciation, Depletion, etc. -----	17,911,641	31,510,366	12,566,152
Net Income after all charges -----	\$27,320,737	\$15,930,390	\$15,356,860
Current Net Earnings are running at a rate substantially in excess of those of 1919.			

94½ and accrued dividend, to yield about 7½%

When, as and if issued and received by us and subject to approval of counsel. Announcement as to time and form of delivery will be made on or before October 1, 1920.

All legal details pertaining to this issue will be passed upon by Messrs. Stetson, Jennings & Russell of New York.

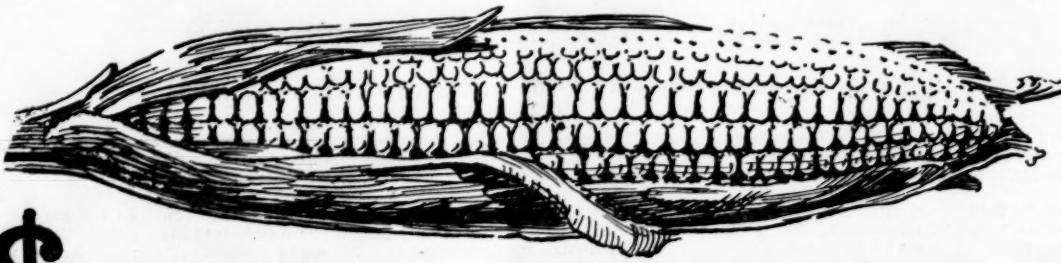
**Guaranty Trust Company
of New York**

We do not guarantee the statements and figures presented herein, but they are taken from sources which we believe to be accurate.

All of the above certificates having been sold, this advertisement appears as a matter of record only.

**Bankers Trust Company
New York**

ST. LOUIS
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\$1,430,327,000

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CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

The following table, made up by telegraph, &c., indicates that the total bank clearings of all the clearing houses of the United States for the week ending to-day have been \$8,455,622,949, against \$8,925,734,451 last week and \$8,109,374,848 the corresponding week last year.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending Sept. 25.	1920.	1919.	Per Cent.
New York	\$3,677,200,642	\$3,780,075,062	-2.7
Chicago	535,524,725	495,782,959	+8.0
Philadelphia	408,347,616	376,415,289	+8.5
Boston	282,592,353	260,704,331	+8.4
Kansas City	198,456,310	202,169,395	-1.8
St. Louis	135,891,259	136,321,148	-0.3
San Francisco	132,300,000	130,122,307	+1.7
Pittsburgh	167,701,705	129,480,403	+29.1
Detroit	110,015,346	78,937,645	+39.4
Baltimore	79,401,592	72,331,710	+9.8
New Orleans	60,755,834	61,782,935	-1.7
Eleven cities, 5 days	\$5,788,187,382	\$5,724,123,184	+1.1
Other cities, 5 days	1,321,487,293	1,069,474,918	+23.6
Total all cities, 5 days	\$7,109,674,675	\$6,793,598,102	+4.7
All cities, 1 day	1,345,948,274	1,315,776,746	+2.3
Total all cities for week	\$8,455,622,949	\$8,109,374,848	+4.3

The full details of the week covered by the above will be given next Saturday. We cannot furnish them to-day, clearings being made up by the clearing houses at noon on Saturday, and hence in the above the last day of the week has to be in all cases estimated, as we go to press Friday night.

Detailed figures for the week ending Sept. 18 show:

Clearings at—	Week Ending September 18.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
New York	4,529,691,211	5,403,931,346	-16.2	3,377,528,085	3,337,139,352
Philadelphia	524,715,116	516,495,312	+1.6	404,624,955	346,809,970
Pittsburgh	197,085,324	188,986,743	+4.3	124,774,758	82,415,239
Baltimore	103,915,435	104,605,280	-0.7	74,537,918	45,743,764
Buffalo	49,838,815	45,921,554	+8.5	28,218,907	18,896,471
Albany	4,500,000	5,432,643	-17.2	5,191,246	4,819,582
Washington	17,000,000	15,417,815	+10.3	14,618,060	10,568,336
Rochester	12,948,402	10,837,301	+19.5	7,974,290	6,830,568
Scranton	4,921,659	5,238,108	-6.1	3,934,553	3,167,858
Syracuse	4,754,585	4,382,773	+8.5	4,112,306	4,600,000
Reading	2,700,000	2,565,483	+5.3	2,613,044	2,446,569
Wilmington	3,124,791	3,896,925	-19.8	3,178,036	3,484,765
Wilkes-Barre	2,653,567	2,600,000	+2.1	2,162,064	2,096,041
Wheeling	6,050,396	6,542,603	-7.5	4,657,208	4,071,038
Trenton	4,567,173	3,230,941	+41.4	2,825,344	4,260,411
York	1,507,940	1,571,029	-4.0	1,324,750	1,128,218
Erie	3,148,741	2,201,652	+43.0	2,379,974	1,957,625
Greensburg	1,328,896	800,000	+66.1	557,298	1,113,269
Binghamton	1,150,000	1,067,800	+7.7	834,100	894,100
Chester	1,786,495	1,395,974	+28.0	1,947,691	1,136,085
Altoona	1,167,085	950,144	+22.8	851,258	737,298
Lancaster	2,750,000	2,600,613	+5.8	2,387,876	2,327,226
Montclair	687,109	429,935	+60.0	379,160	529,766
Bethlehem	3,842,721	Not included	In total		
Huntington	1,968,221	Not included	In total		
Total Middle	5,481,992,740	6,331,101,974	-13.4	4,069,862,911	3,887,173,545
Boston	400,238,276	420,900,583	-4.9	296,812,166	242,365,934
Providence	11,768,400	10,720,300	+9.8	10,843,100	9,251,200
Hartford	10,921,205	10,375,657	+5.3	9,204,830	7,705,676
New Haven	6,000,000	6,434,785	-22.3	6,054,588	4,813,640
Portland	2,585,000	2,350,000	+10.0	2,574,536	3,000,000
Springfield	5,092,077	4,375,036	+16.4	3,808,479	3,806,014
Worcester	4,800,000	4,224,958	+13.6	3,680,641	3,747,035
Fall River	1,799,930	2,241,550	-19.7	2,270,794	1,333,157
New Bedford	2,293,948	1,447,111	+58.5	1,861,771	1,477,496
Lowell	1,356,421	1,079,409	+25.6	1,187,599	1,067,583
Holyoke	900,000	825,000	+19.1	710,498	800,485
Bangor	800,000	736,625	+8.6	579,497	727,521
Total New Eng.	448,555,317	465,711,614	-3.7	339,588,499	280,095,741

Clearings at—	Week Ending September 18.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
Chicago	691,904,553	650,323,280	+6.4	535,818,524	490,220,227
Cincinnati	81,920,175	80,446,060	+1.8	59,345,315	42,253,103
Cleveland	167,409,189	156,349,865	+7.1	94,230,579	73,141,093
Detroit	139,000,000	116,112,251	+19.7	74,259,731	55,290,479
Milwaukee	39,000,000	30,459,013	+28.0	32,463,456	26,934,731
Indianapolis	19,624,000	17,695,000	+10.9	16,441,000	13,811,000
Columbus	16,500,000	14,467,500	+14.1	10,812,500	10,040,900
Toledo	17,703,701	17,430,357	+1.6	10,792,711	10,663,441
Peoria	5,373,753	4,653,282	+15.3	5,300,666	4,600,000
Grand Rapids	7,676,787	6,240,107	+23.0	5,532,937	4,223,484
Dayton	4,645,119	4,579,513	+1.2	4,240,193	2,951,765
Evansville	5,635,723	5,901,818	-4.5	3,972,374	3,043,983
Springfield, Ill.	3,135,146	2,687,820	+16.7	2,054,729	1,768,771
Youngstown	5,313,754	5,261,434	+1.0	3,982,111	2,762,346
Fort Wayne	2,379,408	1,737,995	+36.9	1,315,198	1,297,497
Akron	10,614,000	10,770,000	-1.4	5,124,000	6,743,000
Rockford	3,100,000	2,313,197	+34.0	2,003,051	1,773,663
Lexington	1,600,000	1,795,605	-10.9	836,958	857,388
Quincy	1,713,429	1,900,000	-9.8	1,345,421	1,152,366
Bloomington	1,836,158	1,942,524	-5.2	1,307,699	1,113,562
Canton	4,821,685	5,198,686	-7.3	2,058,318	3,803,781
Springfield, O.	1,658,730	1,524,997	+8.8	1,008,321	1,198,959
South Bend	1,550,000	1,150,000	+34.8	1,096,079	1,055,785
Decatur	1,639,524	1,448,124	+13.2	1,078,712	757,810
Manhattan	2,016,172	1,582,206	+27.4	1,238,532	1,082,310
Danville	700,000	560,000	+25.0	530,000	505,000
Jacksonville, Ill.	634,508	727,061	-12.8	493,483	422,574
Lima	1,059,855	1,100,000	-3.6	979,955	606,000
Ann Arbor	623,027	375,000	+66.1	320,000	336,647
Adrian	259,291	128,256	+102.3	100,000	106,856
Lansing	2,116,790	1,551,184	+33.8	997,572	1,122,131
Owensboro	494,890	762,653	-35.1	701,042	580,766
Tot. Mid. West	1,243,659,367	1,149,204,788	+8.2	881,581,167	766,221,418
San Francisco	200,6				

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

There have been many noteworthy developments the present week, all indicative of the same thing, namely that the process of readjustment to a normal basis in the country's affairs is growing apace, leaving no longer room for any doubt as to what is going on in that respect. The week's events include commodity price reductions of a character that should convince even the most confirmed skeptic that mercantile values are tending strongly downward and that the extraordinarily high level of prices previously prevailing must now be definitely regarded as a thing of the past. Henry Ford has given a new impetus to the declining tendency, which has now become apparently all-pervading. He has cut the prices of his passenger cars to a pre-war basis. At first it was stoutly maintained that none of the other automobile manufacturers could be depended upon to follow suit—that Mr. Ford was a free lance and a law unto himself—but almost immediately thereafter came the news that the H. H. Franklin Manufacturing Co., producers of the Franklin automobile, had followed the Ford example by making a reduction in the price of its cars, running from 17 to 21%.

Then came two of the largest mail-order concerns in the country—Sears, Roebuck & Co. and Montgomery Ward & Co., of Chicago—and proclaimed cuts in prices of nearly all commodities, including clothing, shoes, furniture and staple foodstuffs. The cuts were drastic in some instances—in sheeting 45%, standard muslin 60%, automobile tires 25%, shoes 20%, with more moderate reductions in foodstuffs, though running up to 10% on some articles. Simultaneously the Amoskeag Manufacturing Co., at Manchester, N. H., one of the largest producers in the country of ginghams, seersuckers, chambray and ticking, made a reduction of 33 1-3% in the price of all its cotton products, hoping thereby to avoid a shut-down such as occurred in the woolen mills through the absence and cancellations of orders. Other concerns have been quick to respond with similar action. Thus textile manufacturers at Utica have reduced prices of cotton sheetings and yarns 30% to 40%.

Yesterday also there was a tumble in the price of wheat and other grains. At Chicago the break in wheat amounted to over 12c. a bushel and the December option for wheat in that market closed at \$2.25 against \$2.42 on Friday of last week. December corn at Chicago dropped to below \$1.00 a bushel, for the first time in a long while, the close being at 97½c., against \$1.29 on Friday of last week. Spot cotton here in New York is down 2½c. for the week, the quotation yesterday having been at 28½c. It is not so very long ago that the price was above 40c.—the quotation July 22 having been 43.75c.

In our foreign trade economic law is working out its own cure, just as it was certain to do as abnormal conditions gradually disappeared. The statistics for August became known by telegraph yesterday afternoon and we review them further below. The changes from a year ago are startling and significant. Notwithstanding prices all around were very much higher in that month this year than last, the value of our merchandise exports for August 1920 is only 584 millions as against 646 millions in August

1919. On the other hand, the merchandise imports as compared with a year ago have increased no less than 212 million dollars, being 519 millions for 1920, as against only 307 millions for 1919. As a result of this two-fold adverse movement the merchandise excess of exports for this year is only 65 millions, as compared with 339 millions in 1919 and 254 millions in 1918.

While all this may not be pleasing to many, it is nevertheless wholesome and corrective. In the foreign trade its importance can hardly be exaggerated, for it will serve powerfully as aid in correcting the dislocation in foreign exchange rates, and in both the internal and the external trade it means that much more rapidly than seemed likely or possible only a short time ago the old equilibrium in affairs, under which the country advanced and prospered, is being restored.

It must be admitted that Europe's condition, in some respects, remains deplorable, but even the declaration of so eminent a writer as Anatole France, that European civilization is dying should not be taken too seriously, certainly not literally. Europe is in no such extreme state as it was at the end of the Sixth Century, when the western Roman Empire collapsed from the inherent rottenness of society, and Europe entered upon a sleep of a thousand years, or, in other words, the Middle Ages. Europe is suffering from a sudden and unexpected blow. The fabric of society at bottom is sound. Bolshevism in Russia is a flat failure. It will be an equally flat failure in Italy, or wherever it is tried, serving to disfigure a page of human history from which future ages will take warning. In brief, Europe will recover; it is in process of recovering now, though convalescence, as is often the case, may be painful for a time.

The foreign export trade of the United States for August, 1920, as measured by aggregate values, was not only much smaller than in July, thus apparently confirming reports of less activity in our business on foreign account, but actually less than for all months since December 1918, only excepting July in 1919. And this notwithstanding the greater inflation in values this year. Imports, on the other hand, were greatly in excess of the period last year, though of lesser volume than in either of the two preceding months. For the calendar year to date the aggregates in both cases are high-water marks, but most decidedly so in the imports and, consequently, the export balance on the merchandise movement for the eight months of 1920 is very noticeably less than the high record total established in 1919. Concerning the extent to which the higher prices this year have served to obscure the actual decrease in the current monthly total of exports, we are without sufficient data to even approximately determine, but in one commodity—cotton—the difference in price is sufficient to account for a difference of some nine million dollars—that is, except for the higher price obtained the value of the cotton exports would have been \$9,000,000 less than they have actually proved to be.

The total of exports from the country for August at \$584,000,000 compares with \$646,054,425 in 1919 and \$527,013,918 in 1918, while for the two elapsed months of the current fiscal year an aggregate practically the same for 1920 (1,315 million dollars) as

for 1919 is disclosed, but 201 millions in excess of 1918. For the eight months of the calendar year, however, the shipments of merchandise, as expressed in value, were a high record by a moderate amount, comparison being between \$5,483,000,000 in 1920 and \$5,272,163,691 in 1919. Imports of merchandise in August at \$519,000,000, while not a high monthly record, ran ahead of all but three months in our history (March, June and July 1920) and enormously exceeded the total for 1919, contrast being between \$519,000,000 and \$307,293,078. The total of the imports for the two months of the fiscal year is, furthermore, at 1,056 millions, a high mark by a very large amount, as is the aggregate for the eight months since January 1, which, standing at \$4,000,000,000, compares with but \$2,261,550,440 last year. The net result of our foreign trade in August is an export balance of but \$65,000,000, this contrasting with \$338,761,347 in 1919 and \$254,011,002 in 1918, while for the eight months the favorable balance is the smallest since 1915, a total of \$1,483,000,000, comparing with \$3,010,613,251 last year and \$1,947,823,689 two years ago.

The movement of gold in August 1920 was moderately against the United States. The imports reached \$15,412,347, most of which were on English account, about \$11,000,000 coming from Great Britain direct by steamers and \$2,000,000 from the depository in Canada. Exports, on the other hand, totaled \$24,986,182, some 13 million dollars going to Japan, 4 millions to China, 3½ millions to Peru, 1½ millions to Hong Kong and 1 million to the East Indies. The net efflux was, therefore, \$9,573,835, swelling to \$82,593,543 the net withdrawals from our stock for the eight months ended August 31 1920. For the same period last year the shipments exceeded the inflow by a somewhat greater amount —\$142,089,040—but in 1918 and 1917 we were the gainers on balance by \$21,912,778 and \$206,524,789, respectively. Due to the operations of the Pittman Act, our exports of silver for the month were quite restricted in volume and only slightly larger than the imports. They reached, in fact, but \$4,489,409, raising to \$92,105,393 the aggregate for the eight months. Against this latter total there were imports of \$66,961,348, leaving the net outflow only \$25,344,045, against \$107,731,760 in 1919 and \$110,000,863 in 1918.

Canada's foreign trade for August 1920, as for all preceding months of the Dominion's current fiscal year, showed an adverse, or import, balance but of smaller volume than heretofore. Still for the five elapsed months of the fiscal year the value of the net imports of commodities was no less than 132 million dollars, against balances on the other side of the account in all years back to and including 1915. Increased shipments of paper, etc., are to be noted, as compared with August 1919, but these were more than offset by a falling off in agricultural and annual products, the complete total of exports for the month being \$113,727,395, against \$120,878,593 a year ago. The aggregate of merchandise exports from the Dominion for the eight months was only \$775,556,485, against \$804,204,518 in 1919. Imports for the month, on the other hand, were decidedly heavier than a year earlier, reflecting the large increase in the inflow of textiles, iron, steel and coal, etc. The contrast is between \$124,318,014 and \$81,357,385. For the period since January 1, moreover,

imports reached the unprecedented total of \$882,099,667, against only \$595,285,282 in 1919. The import balance for the month stands at \$10,590,619 contrasts with an export remainder of \$39,521,208 in August 1919. For the eight months the import or unfavorable balance is \$106,543,182, whereas in 1919 there was a balance on the other side of the account of no less than \$208,919,236. In 1914 the import balance was 126 millions.

Curtailment of activity in building operation at such a time as this when, with the need for structures for dwelling occupation most urgent the country over, every energy should be employed to speed up work, is much to be deplored, but not difficult of explanation. Practically all recent developments in connection with the building industry have been of a hindering nature. A shortage of materials and the high price thereof; mounting labor wage schedules; fuel shortage, car famine, difficulty in arranging for the financing of work, have brought about a condition apparently without a parallel in the industry. It is true that within the past few weeks there has been some improvement in the materials part of the problem; complaint, however, continues quite general of the financial end (a difficulty not encountered where business structures are concerned) and the situation as regards labor is cause for utmost anxiety, the fear in this latter instance being that with radicalism becoming a dominating factor, demands for further increases only await the psychological moments for making them. With this the situation architects and contractors find it very difficult, if not impossible, to figure with safety on construction costs. Indicating the situation locally, we note that the head of the Tenement House Department is reported to have made the announcement that there is to-day a shortage of approximately 100,000 regular housekeeping apartments in Greater New York, with no signs of improvement in sight, and a prospective shortage in 1921 of 120,000 apartments, the recent construction of dwellings having been offset by the demolition of such buildings or their conversion to other uses.

We find conclusive evidence of the effect of the various enumerated deterring influences in the building returns for August. Though the estimated outlay represented by the permits issued during the month is only nominally less than for July, it is much smaller than for the corresponding period a year ago, when material prices and wage schedules were lower than at present. In other words, were due allowance made for that fact the decrease shown would be much heavier. Furthermore, as indicating how widespread has been the contraction in contemplated building, we note that in August 106 out of the 173 cities included in our compilation show declines from a year ago, and in many important localities the falling off is quite pronounced. This is particularly true of such leading cities as New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Detroit, Newark, Buffalo, Toledo, Richmond, Seattle, Atlanta, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Hartford, New Haven, Worcester, New Bedford, Minneapolis, Omaha, Denver, Des Moines, St. Louis, Sioux City, Indianapolis, Youngstown and Dayton. On the other hand, noteworthy activity has been confined to Baltimore, Atlantic City, Trenton, Los Angeles, Long Beach, San Diego, Berkeley, San Antonio, Miami, Savannah and sev-

eral cities of lesser prominence. Altogether the 173 municipalities from which we have reports for August 1920 furnish an aggregate of only \$118,505,494, against \$164,302,362 in 1919. For Greater New York the result is \$29,067,302, against \$45,734,175 a year ago, with all the boroughs sharing in the decrease to a very important extent, notwithstanding the fact that it is here that the need for housing accommodations is seemingly most seriously felt—a need that has brought the State Legislature together this week at the call of Gov. Smith, with the expectation of taking action to afford some relief. Exclusive of this city, the total for the country is \$89,442,192, against \$118,568,187, with the Pacific Slope group alone making a better exhibit than last year in the aggregate of intended expenditure.

For the eight months of 1920 and due to the great volume of outlay arranged for in the earlier months of the year, the projected expenditure for building operations stands as the high record for such a period, but it is an open question whether, allowance being made for current inflated costs for labor and materials, quantitative construction has been much, if any, greater than in some earlier years—1916 for example. The result for 173 cities, as compiled by us, for the eight months since January 1 is an aggregate of \$1,092,722,912, against \$751,572,064 in 1919, \$344,669,537 in 1918 and about 700 millions in 1916. The gain in contemplated outlay 1920 over 1916 is seen to be close to 400 million dollars, but investigations of the United States Geological Survey seem to prove that the cost of operations (material and labor) in 1919 (and inferentially, therefore, even more so in 1920) were practically double those of 1913 and 1914 (adopted as normal). On that basis the work planned thus far in 1920 is actually less than in 1916 and several earlier years. Greater New York's operations at \$223,647,085 compare with \$150,907,023 last year and for the outside cities the totals are \$869,075,827 and \$600,665,041 respectively. Of the various groups into which our returns are segregated the Pacific Slope and Southern make the best exhibits, but in all cases the increases in outlay are heavy.

Building operations in Canada, in line with those in the United States, showed contraction in August, 1920, although there, as here, there is much complaint of housing shortage. Briefly, the projects for the month at 28 cities in the Eastern Provinces call for an outlay of only \$7,185,041, against \$10,887,746 in 1919, while in the West (17 cities) the contrast is between \$2,066,065 and \$2,602,856. For the whole of the Dominion (45 cities) the total is, therefore, but \$9,251,106, against \$13,490,602. But, as in the United States, the eight months total of contemplated expenditure is much greater than that of 1919. Specifically, the outlay arranged for at the 28 cities in the East foots up \$55,637,600, against \$41,753,651 last year, and in the West (17 cities) \$23,942,537, against \$9,614,240, giving in all a total of \$79,580,181, against \$51,367,891. In 1913 and 1912, however, the outlay was well above 100 million dollars.

France has a new President. At a joint session Thursday of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies at Versailles, Premier Alexandre Millerand was chosen to succeed Paul Deschanel, who resigned last week because of illness extending over a period of

several months. At a full assembly of both houses of Parliament Wednesday afternoon Premier Millerand received "an overwhelming majority over the other two candidates, Leon Bourgeois and Raoul Peret, whose names had been put forward against their own wishes." This gathering would be regarded in the nature of a caucus in this country. Out of the 813 votes cast 528 were for Millerand. It was stated by the Paris correspondent of the New York "Tribune" Thursday morning, that "Millerand's opponents put up a poor fight." M. Peret is President of the Chamber of Deputies, while Leon Bourgeois is President of the Senate. The Paris advices stated that both gentlemen protested against allowing their names to be submitted as candidates. One correspondent added, however, that "most of the votes cast against Millerand were for either Bourgeois or Peret." The result of the formal voting at Versailles on Thursday was 695 votes for Millerand out of a total of 892. At 4:57 o'clock that afternoon he was formally proclaimed eleventh President of France by Leon Bourgeois, Chairman of the Assembly.

The resignation of Paul Deschanel as President of the French Republic and the selection of his successor, together, have been the chief topics of interest and discussion in France. Naturally the incident was watched with special interest in all of the Allied capitals, and probably in others as well. It is likely that the latter suggestion is the more accurate because of statements credited to Premier Millerand to the effect that "he believes the President should be less of a figurehead than has been the rule in the past and that he should play a role of confident and cordial collaboration with the Government in office." It was suggested also that "in other words, his idea would be that the President should be like the head of a stock company in which the Ministers would take the part of directors, and the Premier that of Managing Director." Millerand was said to be "convinced that this plan would assure great continuity and cohesion in the executive branch of the Government."

Premier Millerand made formal announcement of his willingness to be a candidate on September 20. The following day the resignation of M. Deschanel, which was "handed to Premier Millerand at Rambouillet last week, was read simultaneously in the Senate and Chamber of Deputies." As already noted, imperfect health was given as the chief reason for surrendering the high office. In part the former President said: "My state of health no longer permits me to assume the high functions with which your confidence invested me upon the occasion of the session of the National Assembly on January 17, last." The most impressive paragraph of the letter of resignation, and the one which has attracted the greatest attention in the important political circles in this country, reads as follows: "The duty of the President of the Republic involves at all times grave responsibilities. It demands activity and energy, free from all weakness, during the years when victorious France is called upon to reconstruct her domestic resources, meanwhile assuring broad integral application of the Treaty of Peace, so gloriously, but so dearly, gained." The resignation was accepted at the joint session of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, after tributes had been paid to the services of M. Deschanel to his country and expressions of regret

over the necessity of his taking the action had been uttered. A decree was issued calling the National Assembly together at Versailles on Thursday, September 23, for the election of his successor. As often happens under such circumstances, the condition of M. Deschanel, according to Paris cables, improved considerably after he realized that he had been actually relieved from the duties of President during the important period of reconstruction through which his country is now passing. The Paris correspondent of the New York "Tribune," who, for some reason, did not seem inclined to give hearty support to the candidacy of Premier Millerand, declared in a cablegram to his paper on Tuesday morning that "Millerand's insistence upon revision of the Constitution to give more power into the hands of the President has awakened widespread opposition. His threat to assume greater powers has brought on an immense political upheaval." In view of these assertions it was interesting to find that at the caucus on Wednesday Millerand received 528 votes, against only 157 for Peret and 113 for Bourgeois. Thursday morning a Paris cablegram from the correspondent at that centre of the "Sun and New York Herald," filed the night before, intimated that opposition to Millerand had not been altogether withdrawn. He stated that "while his political enemies have not given up their efforts to defeat Premier Alexandre Millerand for President of the Republic to-morrow, unless some unexpected change occurs overnight they are doomed to failure." The "Tribune" correspondent appeared to have changed his position materially, for, in speaking of the session of the National Assembly to be held in Versailles on Thursday, admitted that "the voting is likely to be nothing more than a formality."

Owing to the illness of former President Deschanel, the induction into office of the new Chief Executive was devoid of "the usual ceremony of receiving the powers from the hands of the retiring President at Elysee Palace." Surrounded by Deputies and Senators, the dispatches stated that "M. Millerand was greatly moved." In reply to congratulations from M. Bourgeois he was reported to have said that "Victorious France must rebuild its ruins and repair its wounds. We must continue a foreign policy worthy of our victory and our dead. The Republican whom Congress has just designated as President will bring to the discharge of his duties all his intelligence and energy and try to be worthy of the confidence of the people's representatives." It was made known in the Paris advices yesterday morning that he takes office for a full seven years. Attention was drawn to the fact also that he received the third highest vote ever given a French President. The election of M. Thiers was unanimous. Deschanel received 734 votes. Millerand's was 695, as already noted.

The new President was born in Paris, February 10 1859, and is therefore in his 62nd year. He is spoken of as being in perfect health and as a man of absolutely regular habits. He was educated at the Lycee Henri IV and the Lycee Michelet, and is characterized as "lawyer, publicist, Deputy from the Department of Seine, Socialist, then Socialist Reformer, and then Nationalist Reformer." Sketches of his career state also that in "the early eighties he was frequently called upon to arbitrate between capital and labor, to defend Socialists before the Court of Appeals." M. Millerand formally entered

politics in an important way when he became a Deputy in 1885. His activities and rise from that time have been notable. He held important portfolios in various Cabinets.

It became known here yesterday afternoon, through cablegrams from Paris, that "Georges Leygues, Minister of Marine in the Clemenceau Cabinet, has accepted a call to the first Premiership under President Millerand's administration." He will also act as Foreign Minister. President Millerand has asked him to form a new Cabinet.

On Tuesday the French Ministry of Finance made official announcement of a summary of the trade of the country for the first eight months of the current year. It showed that the importations amounted to 24,561,195,000 francs. These figures were in contrast with 21,743,346,000 francs for the corresponding period of the previous year. As might have been expected, in view of the policy of all the European countries to sell as much and to buy as little abroad as possible, there was a big jump in the exports. For the first eight months of this year they totaled 14,406,438,000 francs, against only 5,743,218,000 francs for the same period of last year. The statement shows, furthermore, that "the greatest increase among the exportations was in manufactured goods, which totaled 9,226,052,000 francs, as against 5,643,548,000 francs for the first eight months of 1919." It was pointed out also that even with the improvement that took place during the period of this year under review, the import balance against France is fully nine times greater than it was before the war.

On Wednesday, M. Francois Marsal, French Minister of Finance, announced to the Cabinet Council that "France will pay every dollar of the \$250,000,000 loan due in New York October 15." This amount, of course, is her share of the \$500,000,000 Anglo-French loan, maturing at the middle of next month. It will be recalled that recently a syndicate headed by J. P. Morgan & Co. offered \$100,000,000 French Government 8% bonds, and that the issue was very largely oversubscribed even before the formal offering was announced.

The industrial situation in Italy and the threatened strike of coal miners in Great Britain, continued to attract special attention throughout Europe and in industrial and financial centres in this country. Announcement was made in a cablegram from Milan a week ago this morning that the masters in the metal trades had passed a resolution, "accepting the proposal that the workers participate in the management of their concerns." It was added, however, that "the condition is imposed that there shall be no predominance by the workmen's organization, but collaboration and reciprocal responsibility and no interference with the freedom necessary to the development of the industry." In the resolution adopted by the masters, they insisted that their representatives shall not participate on any commission with the workmen until they have evacuated the factories they are now holding." Premier Giolitti intervened in the situation as a whole and announced "his decision to appoint a commission to deal with the situation in the metal-working industry." The plan of the Premier appeared to be much more radical than that of the masters, to say the least. In another cablegram from Milan it was asserted that "employers and their supporters voiced indignation

over the Premier's intervention at the present phase of the situation, after maintaining neutrality when the works were occupied." The Paris correspondent of the New York "Tribune" cabled that, according to advices received there, "under official sanction of the Italian Government, not only the metal industry in Italy, but all the other factories of the country, have passed into the hands of the Communists." He added that the "Reds had been authorized to exercise full powers over all industrial life, pending legislation by the National Chamber to legalize the control of Italian industries by the workers." In portraying further the ideas that were said to exist in the French capital regarding the Italian situation the correspondent asserted that "Italian employers have decided to bow to the inevitable. Their only hope now is that in the eventual settlement Parliament will compensate them or prevent the seizure of their property." Probably the foregoing represents a rather too extreme view of what is proposed, or that has actually taken place in Italy. The fact remains, however, that the proposals sanctioned by the Italian Government can be regarded as little less than revolutionary. They are an experiment. Heretofore such extreme experiments generally have failed. Russia has furnished several striking illustrations.

The dispatches received for several days during the early part of the week told of the seizure of further plants by workmen, particularly in southern Italy. In one dispatch from Rome it was asserted that "30,000 workmen have occupied the factories at Terni." It is located in that section of the country, and is said to be one of the most important of all the industrial towns. Mention was made from day to day in the dispatches from Rome and Milan of the negotiations that were in progress between the masters and the workmen. One of the chief difficulties appeared to be the demand of the former that the plants be first evacuated by those who had seized them. The question of wages was actively discussed also. In a cablegram from Paris announcement was made that "representatives of the employers and of the workmen who had seized the factories had accepted Premier Giolitti's offer of mediation." As might have been expected, word was received in the French capital also that "the extreme Italian Socialist faction, which had been gaining strength since Premier Giolitti advocated acceptance of the workers' control of the factories, although under the Government's direction, is now threatening to institute a great national campaign for nationalization."

In outlining his ideas as to how the industries of Italy should be controlled the Premier was quoted in part as follows: "I think the historic moments through which we are passing can be interpreted in one way only, and that is that a radical revision of the relations hitherto existing between capital and labor is inevitable. It is no longer possible to uphold the criterion that in a great industry there must be only one head in command, while thousands of dependents must obey without possessing the guarantee of control over the activities of the head himself. I am convinced it is necessary to make it possible for the workers to contribute toward the functioning of a firm to the extent of giving them a true sense of co-responsibility. Once this idea is actuated by raising the function of the workmen they will be placed in conditions which will enable them

to learn and to advance and to better their positions." Signor Crespi, a representative of the employers, in commenting upon the concessions originally made by the owners of the industries, and also upon the demands of the Government, made through Premier Giolitti, said: "Now that the plan for participation by the men in our industries has been accepted, it remains to be seen whether the new system, which theoretically would bring capital and labor closer together and increase production, will work out in practice. If the system proves a success the industries will prosper. Otherwise they will be irretrievably crippled." In a special cablegram under date of Wednesday, Sept. 22, from Milan to the New York "Times," the correspondent announced that "no decision has been reached yet regarding the evacuation by workmen of the iron and steel factories. When the Metal Workers' Federation met here last night to ratify the Rome agreement it found by a referendum that the workers were strongly averse to evacuation, except after a revision of the terms relative to payment of wages during the occupation period." The dispatch further stated that "the Federation therefore proceeded to vote upon three proposals. That put forward by the extremists for holding fast to the factories unconditionally obtained only 28 votes; another demanding full wages for the occupation period as a sine qua non for return to normal conditions scored 96 votes, but the majority of the delegates decided eventually that the order for evacuation should depend upon the result of further negotiations with the masters for due payment of work actually executed since the factories were seized." The Paris correspondent of the "Sun and New York Herald" declared that "optimistic dispatches from Rome in reference to a settlement of the dispute between metal workers and owners of the factories which the former seized, arriving here through various news agencies, are not borne out by advices received in French official quarters. It was intimated to-day that the Italian Government was inspiring the prophecies of an early settlement of the crisis in the hope of ameliorating exchange rates, which have suffered against Italy since Sovietism made its appearance in that country."

On Thursday, according to a cablegram from Turin yesterday morning, "all the men occupying the metallurgical establishments met to discuss the agreement reached in Rome between the Government and the metal workers." It was stated also that "out of 51 works the men in 34 have declared themselves, for various reasons, against the agreement. The other 17 announce themselves as ready to accept it." London heard that strikers in Turin had attacked the Royal Guards and that it had been necessary to call out the troops. According to the report seven deaths occurred and six strikers were seriously wounded.

In dispatches from Rome last evening additional seizures of industrial plants were reported. Premier Giolitti was said to be "much annoyed at labor's failure to keep its agreement to evacuate factories pending enactment of a labor control bill," but it was added that "no Government action to compel obedience was anticipated." According to one dispatch from Rome, the Italian Senate has passed a bill "providing for sweeping confiscation of war profits."

The conference at Riga between representatives of the Polish Government and the Russian Soviets has been in progress. The interesting announcement was made at the beginning of the week that a Polish courier had left Riga by airplane for Danzig, "whence he intended to leave by train for Warsaw, carrying official and private messages from the Polish peace delegation." An Associated Press correspondent at Riga said that "it is the intention of the Poles to arrange for an airplane courier service over the same route during the conference, which will be in striking contrast to the lack of communications between Minsk, where the first conference was held, and Warsaw." After a long conference between M. Dombski, head of the Polish Peace Mission, and Adolph Joffe, chief of the Russian Soviet delegation, "the opinion was expressed by M. Lados, secretary of the Polish Mission, that there was little chance of a cessation of the Russo-Polish fighting until preliminary peace terms were agreed upon." It was added that "action at the conference, which will endeavor to reach an agreement on armistice terms and formulate a treaty of peace between Poland and Soviet Russia, will be controlled largely by the military situation, according to views expressed here." The regular sessions of the conference began on Tuesday, September 21. Dispatches from Riga stated that the delegates were welcomed by M. Meirimwitch, Lettish Minister of Foreign Affairs, who declared that "a peace which will be a solid peace, based on the principles of justice and democracy, will soon crown the labors of the Riga conference." He added that "only these principles can effect and maintain peace. It can never be lasting unless based upon respect for the free national rights of Governments." M. Dombski, head of the Polish delegation, asserted that "even if peace is not effected the Polish delegates will always remain under great obligation to Latvia." M. Joffe, the Russian Soviet leader, in his response expressed confidence that peace would be arranged at an early date. In a subsequent dispatch from Riga by the Associated Press correspondent the opinion was expressed that "the prospects do not appear bright for a speedy peace between Poland and Soviet Russia resulting from the conference which was formally opened here yesterday." He added that the indicated refusal of Soviet Russia to disarm, as the Poles are expected to demand, seems to be the chief stumbling block. In another Associated Press dispatch from Riga, dated Wednesday, Sept. 22, it was said that "probably the next meeting of the Peace Conference will be held Friday [yesterday]. The two delegations did not communicate with each other to-day. Reports showing heavy fighting in the vicinity of Grodno apparently are responsible in part for the delay in starting the negotiations.

In an Associated Press cablegram from Riga last evening announcement was made that "Adolph Joffe, head of the Soviet peace delegation, at to-day's session of the Russo-Polish peace conference proposed an armistice, which he said must be accepted by the Poles within ten days or the Russian winter campaign would be inaugurated, which Joffe declared the Soviet Government desired to avoid." It was added that "M. Joffe preceded his proposal by offering to withdraw virtually all the fifteen peace points submitted at Minsk, to which the Poles objected." The opinion was expressed that "M. Joffe's proposals make the prospect of peace much brighter

than hitherto." On the other hand, London received dispatches from Warsaw yesterday that "Poland is renewing preparations for intensive warfare." It was claimed that "new classes are being called for army service," and that "all leaves of absence were canceled." It was understood that "Poland's counter-proposals for peace will be presented to the Bolshevik representatives at Riga to-day [yesterday]." The Bolsheviks were reported to have massed 30,000 troops in the Vilna-Leda region.

Several times during the week cablegrams have come to hand from Berlin indicating more or less friction in the Cabinet. In an Associated Press dispatch from that centre, made public here yesterday morning, it was asserted that Herr Wirth, Minister of Finance, had threatened to resign his post if the Cabinet did not at once "tackle the problem of the Nation's tangled finances." According to the correspondent his threat was effective regarding this important matter, and also in obtaining "for himself an ascendant influence in Governmental affairs." At a special session of the Cabinet the Finance Minister is reported to have "presented an unvarnished analysis of Germany's financial condition, hurling billions of marks of deficits at his colleagues and charging that the 'wretched finances are but an expression of mal administration.'" The further assertion was made in the dispatch that "as a result of his frank exposition the Cabinet unanimously voted to take up immediately the problem of the confiscation of coal fields and ordered the Minister of Economy to prepare the draft of a law, based on the report recently compiled by the National Commission for Socialization." His colleagues in the Cabinet are said to have agreed, "regardless of party affiliations, that the appalling situation demanded prompt and drastic action." The correspondent added that "it is taken for granted now that the crisis rumors which have been current during the last week are disposed of, and that the Majority Socialists will continue as onlookers, according benevolent neutrality to the Bourgeois Cabinet."

In a Berlin cablegram last evening the assertion was made that "as a result of Finance Minister Wirth's revelation to the German Cabinet that the country's debts total 226,000,000,000 marks, the belief was expressed in semi-official quarters that Germany will ask financial aid from the League of Nations at the Council meeting in Brussels."

The announcement was received early in the week in a cablegram from Constantinople that "three members of the Turkish Cabinet have resigned, because they have been unable to bring about a compromise agreement with the Turkish Nationalists, by which the treaty between Turkey and the Allies may be carried out." It was suggested that "their action makes the selection of a new Ministry necessary."

Word came from Paris Tuesday morning that the ninth session of the Council of the League of Nations adjourned the day before, "after having smoothed out difficulties between four nations in controversies which at one time threatened to result in war." Speaking further of what was accomplished, the correspondent observed that "through its action in the Polish-Lithuanian crisis the Council succeeded in getting the two countries to agree

to an immediate suspension of hostilities pending a settlement of their differences, which both sides agree to accept." He was of the opinion that "the Aland Islands question likewise is considered in a fair way for settlement." Before its adjournment "the Council approved the purchase of the Hotel National in Geneva as the future home of the League."

Dispatches from Constantinople and other points have told of further military successes by General Wrangel against the Bolsheviks in southern Russia. In one instance he was said to have captured more than 2,000 prisoners and quantities of supplies. In a cablegram from Sebastopol, made public here Thursday morning, it was asserted that word had been received there that "General Wrangel is advancing rapidly in the Alexandrovsk and Taganrog regions of southern Russia. The Bolsheviks are demoralized, often surrendering without fighting. Wrangel so far has taken 5,000 prisoners, including men from the Twenty-second Division of Infantry and also 200 machine guns, dozens of field guns and several armored trains."

Outside of a letter addressed to the "Sun and New York Herald" by Lord Northcliffe, the hunger strike of Terence MacSwiney, the hunger-striking Lord Mayor of Cork, occupied little space in the European cable advices. They indicated also that the matter was not attracting anything like the attention in Ireland and England that it did during the early stages of his strike. In a word, it may be said that the bulletins issued told of increasing weakness and suffering. Yesterday was the 44th day of the strike. He was still conscious, without pain and less exhausted, according to the morning bulletin. Cable advices from London last night stated that the Lord Mayor was "in a very exhausted condition and suffering severe pains in the head."

There were more or less serious political disturbances in Ireland, apparently under the leadership of the Sinn Feiners. For instance, announcement was made of the wrecking of the town of Balbriggan, near Dublin. Sinn Feiners were said to have taken twenty automobiles from week-end pleasure seekers at midnight, near Belfast, and to have "carried out one of the biggest raids for arms in the history of Ireland." In a cablegram from Dublin Thursday morning, announcement was made that "John Lynch, a Limerick County Councillor, who was also a Republican leader and Sinn Fein judge, was shot dead in a Dublin hotel early this [Wednesday] morning." It was added that "an official report says that Lynch was killed when he opened fire on twelve soldiers who had gone to the hotel to arrest him." In an Associated Press dispatch from Balbriggan the same day it was stated that "nearly 1,000 persons, about half of the population of this partly devastated town, crept back to their homes this morning, after having spent a second night of terror in the outlying hay fields." The damage done to the town was estimated at \$1,000,000. In a cablegram from Dublin Thursday evening it was reported that earlier in the day three civilians were killed near Milltown Malbay. A number of houses were said to have been burned. This destruction of life and property, it was claimed, was in revenge for the killing of two policemen. Gen. Sir Nevil Macready, commander of the Military Forces in Ireland, while denying that "the reprisals

for the assassination of police taken at Balbriggan by the 'Black and Tans' and elsewhere by the regular police or military were actuated by any set policy formulated by the Government," in a Dublin cablegram yesterday morning was quoted as having declared that "if the guerilla warfare of the Irish Republican Army continued the situation might become such that reprisals would be necessary."

Although a strike of the British miners next Monday, Sept. 27, appeared to be threatening all week, the cable advices from London did not reflect as much anxiety there over the situation as might have been expected. A conference was held on Monday between Sir Robert Horne, President of the British Board of Trade, and the miners' executive, but it was stated in a special cablegram from London to the New York "Times" that "no approach to a settlement of the coal situation was made." The conference lasted for two hours and a half. On Tuesday there was to be a meeting of mining delegates, who were to be asked to decide whether a strike shall take place or the Government proposals shall be accepted. Dispatches giving an account of the latter gathering stated that the delegates "accepted the report of the executive committee of the Federation to the effect that nothing had been achieved by the negotiations to prevent a strike." It was stated, furthermore, that "the delegates, who numbered nearly 200, also endorsed the proposals which the committee made to Sir Robert S. Horne, President of the Board of Trade." At that time it was thought that a strike could be averted only by action on the part of the Cabinet. A committee from the Triple Alliance had a conference with Premier Lloyd George late Wednesday afternoon. It became known in London that evening that a meeting of that body had been called for the following day to hear the reply of the Premier. It was declared that it "was a reiteration of the proposal made to the miners' executive committee the previous day, that, there being a difference of opinion between the miners and the Government as to the facts and figures, the question of the increase in wages should be referred to an impartial tribunal, or, alternately, the miners should consent to work out with the colliery proprietors and the Government some scheme whereby in return for increased production, the miners could get increased wages." Cablegrams received here Thursday afternoon stated that the proposals of the Premier had been rejected. London cablegrams yesterday morning told of a full conference of the Triple Alliance the night before, lasting until midnight. It adjourned "without reaching a decision." In a special dispatch to the New York "Times" yesterday morning it was said to have been learned "on good authority that, while the miners, bound by the majority, were 'standing solid' for a strike, the railway and transport workers were anxious to avoid coming out in their support." Yesterday forenoon, however, cable advices stated that official announcement had been made that "the British coal miners had postponed striking for one week, pending negotiations." It was added that "the outlook is favorable."

The British Treasury statement of national financing for the week ending Sept. 18, for the first time in several weeks, showed that ingoies had exceeded outgo, with the result of an increase in the Exchequer

balance of £771,000. Another favoring feature was an additional reduction in temporary advances of £21,500,000 to £175,441,000 while the total floating debt is now £1,258,540,000 against £1,262,814,000 a week ago and £1,218,910,000 last year. Expenditures for the week amounted to £19,766,000 (against £15,321,000 for the week ended Sept. 11), while the total outflow including Treasury bills, advances and other items repaid was £99,895,000, comparing with £95,282,000 last week. The total of receipts from all sources was £100,668,000 in comparison with £94,778,000 the preceding week. Of this total, revenue contributed £30,136,000 against £20,642,000, savings certificates £800,000, the same as a week ago and sundries £150,000 against £200,000 last week. From advances the sum of £5,600,000 was received, against £22,000,000. Foreign debt brought in £4,894,000, against nothing from this source in the previous statement. Sales of Treasury bills totaled £58,898,000, an increase of £7,912,000 over last week's issues and £17,164,000 in excess of repayments. Hence Treasury bills outstanding expanded to £1,083,099,000, as contrasted with £1,065,873,000 last week. Treasury bonds were issued to the amount of £190,000, against £150,000 a week earlier. The Exchequer balance now stands at £3,935,000, which compares with £3,164,000 the previous week.

Official discount rates at leading European centres continue to be quoted at 5% at Berlin, Vienna, Spain and Switzerland; 5½% in Belgium; 6% in Paris and Petrograd; 7% in London and Norway, and 4½% in Holland. According to a cablegram from Stockholm under date of Sept. 21, the Bank of Sweden has raised its discount rate ½ of 1% to 7½%. The previous rate of 7% had been in effect since March 18 last. In London the private bank rate has been lowered to 6 11-16% for sixty and ninety days, which compares with 6¾ @ 6 13-16% last week. Money on call in London remains at 5¼%, unchanged. No reports, so far as we have been able to ascertain have been received by cable of open market discounts at other centres.

The Bank of England this week announced a reduction in its gold holdings of £28,726, while total reserve was cut £350,000 as a result of an increase in note circulation of £321,000. Deposits, however, were brought down, so that the proportion of reserve to liabilities advanced to 13.12%, as against 11.89% last week and 21.4% a year ago. Public deposits, it is true, increased £1,506,000, but other deposits showed a reduction of no less than £17,127,000 while Government securities declined £20,585,000. In loans (other securities) there was a gain of £5,332,000. The Bank's stock of gold now stands at £123,064,646, which compares with £88,196,371 in 1919 and £71,542,360 the year before. Reserves aggregate £16,028,000. Last year the total was £25,035,726 and £29,496,515 in 1918. Circulation has reached a total of £125,485,000 in comparison with £81,610,645 in 1919 and £60,495,845 a year earlier, while loans amount to £88,723,000 as against £83,706,067 and £100,335,523 one and two years ago respectively. Clearings through the London banks for the week were £659,655,000 in comparison with £665,411,000 a week ago and £559,350,000 last year. No change has been made in the Bank's minimum discount rate from 7%. We append a tabular

statement of comparisons of the different items of the Bank of England return:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1920. Sept. 22.	1919. Sept. 24.	1918. Sept. 25.	1917. Sept. 26.	1916. Sept. 27.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation	125,484,000	81,610,645	60,495,845	41,181,745	36,535,555
Public deposits	16,706,000	19,396,366	31,942,198	44,284,907	53,371,842
Other deposits	105,446,000	97,457,386	133,987,785	121,702,542	101,483,434
Governm't securities	35,518,000	26,229,213	54,202,545	58,189,220	42,187,627
Other securities	88,723,000	83,706,067	100,335,523	93,593,721	95,386,643
Reserve notes & coin	16,028,000	25,035,726	29,496,515	32,364,556	35,466,693
Coin and bullion	123,064,646	88,196,371	71,542,360	55,096,601	53,552,248
Proportion of reserve to liabilities	13.12%	21.4%	17.80%	19.50%	22.90%
Bank rate	7%	5%	5%	5%	6%

The Bank of France, according to the "Chronicle's" special cable, reports a decrease of 9,604,684 francs in the amount of gold in vault this week. The Bank's gold holdings abroad for the first time since May 8 1919 disclose a decrease, the shrinkage being 21,383,741 francs. The total gold holdings now aggregate 5,489,579,225 francs, of which 1,956,894,675 francs are held abroad. At this time in 1919 the total was 5,573,837,539 francs (including 1,978,278,416 francs held abroad), and in 1918 5,437,880,762 francs (including 2,037,108,484 francs held abroad). During the week advances fell off 8,352,000 francs, while general deposits were diminished 972,000 francs. On the other hand, silver gained 6,052,000 francs, bills discounted rose 104,917,000 francs, and Treasury deposits were augmented by 24,543,000 francs. Note circulation registered the further expansion of 23,998,000 francs, bringing the total outstanding up to 38,689,733,370 francs. This compares with 35,786,798,270 francs last year and with 29,922,374,480 francs at this time in 1918. On July 30 1914, just prior to the outbreak of war, the total was only 6,683,184,785 francs. Comparisons of the various items in this week's return with the figures of last week and the corresponding dates in 1919 and 1918 are as follows:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week.	Status as of		
		Sept. 23 1920. Francs.	Sept. 25 1919. Francs.	Sept. 26 1918. Francs.
Gold Holdings—				
In France	Dec. 9,604,684	3,532,684,550	3,595,559,123	3,400,772,277
Abrond	Dec. 21,383,741	1,956,894,675	1,978,278,416	2,037,108,484
Total	Dec. 30,988,425	5,489,579,225	5,573,837,539	5,437,880,762
Silver	Inc. 6,052,000	261,057,495	292,649,237	320,563,819
Bills discounted	Inc. 104,917,000	1,964,641,298	942,710,608	851,271,638
Advances	Dec. 8,352,000	1,997,454,000	1,296,702,201	831,458,538
Note circulation	Inc. 23,998,000	38,689,733,370	35,786,798,270	29,922,374,480
Treasury deposits	Inc. 24,543,000	59,384,000	81,015,035	57,485,396
General deposits	Dec. 972,000	3,025,114,894	2,882,397,447	3,106,889,005

The Imperial Bank of Germany, in its statement, issued as of Sept. 7, again showed sensational changes in its principal items, among which should be mentioned a decline in bills discounted of 1,518,954,000 marks. Deposits registered the huge reduction of 3,697,278,000 marks, while liabilities increased 1,279,753,000 marks. Total coin and bullion fell off 349,000 marks and gold lost 2,000 marks. A contraction of 36,555,000 marks was shown in Treasury certificates and 923,000 marks in notes of other banks. Investments were smaller by 17,649,000 marks and securities declined 516,250,000 marks. Advances were expanded 24,219,000 marks. As to note circulation, there was an expansion of 35,164,000 marks. The Banks' reports its gold holdings as 1,091,583,000 marks. In the corresponding week of 1919 the total held was 1,102,320,000 marks and 2,348,260,000 a year earlier. Note circulation now stands at 58,436,211,000 marks, which compares with 28,408,040,000 marks last year and 13,804,680,000 marks in 1918.

Last week's statement of New York Associated banks and trust companies, issued on Saturday, was a somewhat unusual one and reflected perceptibly the heavy Sept. 15 turnover. Loans, mainly as a result of borrowing on new certificates of indebtedness, expanded \$112,981,000, while net demand deposits showed the large increase of \$85,067,000, to \$4,077,030,000. This does not include Government deposits to the amount of \$180,390,000, a gain of \$168,231,000 during the week, brought about largely by payments or credits to the Government on account of the certificates of indebtedness referred to. Net time deposits also increased \$8,658,000, to \$281,831,000. Reserves of member banks with the Federal Reserve Bank were expanded \$6,627,000, to \$542,991,000, although cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank declined \$2,116,000, to \$90,893,000 (not counted as reserve). The reserves of State banks and trust companies in own vaults gained slightly, \$62,000, to \$8,408,000, but reserves in other depositories, of State banks and trust companies, fell off \$120,000, to \$8,714,000. Circulation was slightly lower, declining \$118,000, to \$34,716,000. Aggregate reserves were augmented \$6,569,000, to \$560,113,000, but surplus, owing to the increase in deposits and consequent expansion of reserve requirements, was cut \$4,763,790, thus carrying the total of excess reserves to \$19,295,410, as against \$24,079,200 last week. The above figures for surplus are on the basis of 13% reserves above legal requirements for member banks of the Federal Reserve system, but do not include cash in vaults amounting to \$90,893,000 held by these banks on Saturday of last week. The Federal Reserve Bank showing was also out of the ordinary. The cash ratio of reserves was maintained at 39.5% but total reserves declined \$28,470,000. Borrowings by member banks were reduced \$158,587,000, of which total \$54,640,000 was in rediscounts of Government paper and \$103,947,000 commercial paper. The Bank reduced its borrowings from other Reserve banks \$23,625,000, while advances to the Treasury registered an increase of \$94,891,000.

The local money market this week probably has been more nearly normal than for many months, if not for a longer period. For call money 7% may be said to have been the ruling rate. There appeared to be an abundant supply. The demand from brokers to finance speculative transactions in stocks was in fair volume. The investment houses were only moderately active in the placing of new securities. Government transactions, so far as they affected this centre, were not on a large scale. About mid-week the Government withdrew some \$12,000,000 from depository institutions. Superficially at least it is assumed that the money market in this country is generally easier. Those who study money market conditions critically say that before they are willing to make an unqualified statement on this point they want to see time money rates lower and funds offered in larger volume for the longer period. As a matter of fact, while there has been no important change in rates this week, the offerings and actual loans have been somewhat larger. They have been arranged quietly and the bankers are not advertising the fact. On the other hand, they are still disposed to suggest caution with respect to new loans and financing generally. The price reductions that are in progress are bound to be reflected in the money market in

due time. Lower prices for commodities will involve the tying up of less money to purchase and carry them. Price cutting also will bring about liquidation, as the commodities are really the collateral for the loans. The collateral will be sold in part at least and the loans paid off.

Dealing with specific rates for money, loans on call have ruled at 7% during the entire week, which was the high, low and renewal rate on each day from Monday up to the close on Friday. This is a somewhat unusual showing and compares with a range of 6 @ 7% last week. These figures are for both mixed collateral and all-industrials alike. Funds on call have been in fair supply, but generally speaking the market has ruled dull, with only a light inquiry. In time money the situation remains without essential change. The feature of the week was the fact that some loans for short periods were negotiated at 8% on all-industrials. For the most part, however, industrial money has loaned at 8 1/4%, the same as a week ago, with regular mixed collateral still at 8%. No important trades were reported and transactions in the aggregate continue moderate, with nearly all of the business confined to the shorter maturities. Very little inquiry is noted for five and six months' money.

Mercantile paper rates are now being quoted at 8% for sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable, six months' names of choice character, and names less well known, without differentiation. This compares with the previous level of 8% for the best names and 8 1/4% on others last week. A fairly large turnover is reported with country banks the principal buyers.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances were dealt in only to a moderate extent. Savings banks who have been the principal buyers of prime New York bills during the recent past are practically out of the market now. However, brokers are looking for a more active market before very long. The tone has remained firm at levels previously current. Loans on demand for bankers' acceptances continue to be quoted at 5 1/2%. Quotations in detail are as follows:

	Ninety Days.	Sixty Days.	Thirty Days.	Delivery within 30 Days.
Eligible bills of member banks.....	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	6 1/4 @ 6	6 1/4 bid
Eligible bills of non-member banks.....	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	7 bid
Ineligible bills.....	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	6 1/4 @ 6 1/4	8 bid

There have been no changes this week in Federal Reserve bank rates. The following is the schedule of rates now in effect for the various classes of paper at the different Reserve banks:

DISCOUNT RATES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS
IN EFFECT SEPTEMBER 23, 1920.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (including member banks' 15-day col- lateral notes) secured by—			Bankers' accep- tances disc'ted for member banks	Trade accep- tances maturing within 90 days	Agricul- ture and live-stock paper maturing 91 to 180 days
	Treasury certifi- cates of indebt- edness	Liberty bonds and Victory notes	Other- wise secured and unsecured			
Boston.....	5 1/2	6	7	—	7	7
New York.....	5 1/2	6	7	6	7	7
Philadelphia.....	+6	5 1/2	6	5 1/2	6	6
Cleveland.....	5 1/2	5 1/2	6	5 1/2	5 1/2	6
Richmond.....	+6	6	6	6	6	6
Atlanta.....	+6	5 1/2	6	5 1/2	6	6
Chicago.....	+6	6	7	6	7	7
St. Louis.....	*5 1/2	5 1/2	6	5 1/2	6	6
Minneapolis.....	5 1/2	6	7	6	6 1/4	7
Kansas City.....	+6	5 1/2	6	5 1/2	6	6
Dallas.....	+6	5 1/2	6	5 1/2	6	6
San Francisco.....	+6	6	6	6	6	6

* 5 1/2% on paper secured by 5 1/2% certificates, and 5% on paper secured by 4 1/4% and 5% certificates.

† Discount rate corresponds with interest rate borne by certificates pledged as collateral with minimum of 5% in the case of Philadelphia, Atlanta, Kansas City and Dallas and 5 1/2% in the case of Richmond, Chicago and San Francisco.

Note.—Rates shown for Atlanta, St. Louis, Kansas City and Dallas are normal rates, applying to discounts not in excess of basic lines fixed for each member bank by the Federal Reserve Bank. Rates on discounts in excess of the basic line are subject to a 1/4% progressive increase for each 25% by which the amount of accommodation extended exceeds the basic line.

The improvement in sterling exchange noted at the close last Friday proved of short duration and early in the week rates took a fresh downward plunge, during which nearly all of the recent gains were canceled and demand bills dropped back 8 cents in the pound, to $3\ 46\frac{1}{4}$,—less than 3 cents above the extreme low point of the preceding week. Later on, it is true, there was a partial rally and some of the loss was recovered, but price levels throughout were subjected to frequent fluctuations and the undertone was for the most part nervous and unsettled, with the close weak. Although heavy selling of cotton and grain bills was again largely responsible for the decline, it was sharply accentuated by the unfavorable turn in European affairs, which once more caused a widespread withdrawal of bids from the market. Cable advices that the coal miners' delegates had endorsed the attitude of British union leaders in refusing the Government's offer to avert a strike had an adverse effect upon market sentiment, as also did reports of unrest in India and other parts of the British Empire, while evidences that the labor crisis in Italy was still acute, together with the fact that London sent appreciably lower quotations, all combined to depress prices. In some quarters the opinion was expressed that the market had already partially discounted the effects of the British coal strike, and it is asserted that the recoveries recorded in the latter part of the week were due quite as much to a lessening in the volume of offerings as to hopes that a compromise agreement would be reached in settling the differences of British mine workers without resort to the doubtful expedient of a nation-wide strike. The final quotation was $3\ 47\frac{1}{4}$ for sight bills, or not far from the lowest for the week. So far as could be learned, the arrival of a large consignment of gold this week had no tangible effect upon actual quotations. The announcement that the Federal Reserve Bank had decided to bring to this country gold which is being held by the Bank of England for American account likewise failed to exercise any influence upon the course of the market.

Bankers and foreign exchange dealers generally are beginning to focus attention upon the coming International Financial Conference at Brussels, which was opened formally Friday (yesterday) and considerable discussion is heard as to its probable results in stabilizing exchange. The view most widely held, however, is that unless some radical readjustment of the war indebtedness of the leading European nations can be brought about, very little real progress in the actual and permanent restoration of the foreign exchanges to anything like their former levels need be looked for. Nevertheless the conferences are likely to be closely watched and may have a wholesome effect upon currency values as a whole.

Dealing with the day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday of last week was a trifle easier and demand bills receded fractionally to $3\ 52\frac{1}{4}$ @ $3\ 53\frac{3}{4}$, cable transfers to $3\ 53$ @ $3\ 54\frac{1}{2}$ and sixty days $3\ 47\frac{7}{8}$ @ $3\ 49\frac{3}{8}$. On Monday the market once more turned weak and prices ran off sharply on heavy offerings of commercial bills; the range was $3\ 51\frac{3}{4}$ @ $3\ 54\frac{3}{4}$ for demand, $3\ 53\frac{1}{2}$ @ $3\ 55$ for cable transfers and $3\ 47\frac{3}{8}$ @ $3\ 50$ for sixty days. Increased weakness developed on Tuesday and following news that the British Union leaders had rejected the Government's offer of mediation between the coal miners and their employers, there was a break of $5\frac{1}{2}$ c.,

which carried demand down to $3\ 46\frac{1}{4}$ @ $3\ 51$, cable transfers to $3\ 47$ @ $3\ 51\frac{3}{4}$ and sixty days to $3\ 42\frac{1}{8}$ @ $3\ 46\frac{5}{8}$; continued selling was the principal factor, while lower quotations from London contributed to the general depression. Wednesday's market was firmer and quotations ruled well above the low figures of the preceding day; the high for demand was $3\ 48\frac{3}{4}$ and the low $3\ 46\frac{1}{2}$, while cable transfers ranged between $3\ 47\frac{1}{4}$ and $3\ 49\frac{1}{2}$ and sixty days at $3\ 42\frac{3}{8}$ @ $3\ 44\frac{5}{8}$; trading was less active. A lessening in the volume of offerings was the feature of Thursday's dealings and prices were marked up to $3\ 49$ @ $3\ 50\frac{3}{4}$ for demand, $3\ 49\frac{3}{4}$ @ $3\ 51\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers and $3\ 44\frac{7}{8}$ @ $3\ 45\frac{5}{8}$ for sixty days. Friday's market was dull and weak with demand bills quoted lower at $3\ 46\frac{3}{4}$ @ $3\ 48\frac{1}{4}$, cable transfers $3\ 47\frac{1}{2}$ @ $3\ 49$ and sixty days $3\ 42\frac{5}{8}$ @ $4\ 44\frac{1}{8}$. Closing quotations were $3\ 43\frac{1}{8}$ for sixty days, $3\ 47\frac{1}{4}$ for demand and $3\ 49$ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at $3\ 46\frac{1}{8}$, sixty days at $3\ 42\frac{1}{4}$, ninety days $3\ 38\frac{1}{8}$, documents for payment (sixty days) $3\ 41\frac{3}{4}$ and seven-day grain bills at $3\ 45\frac{5}{8}$. Cotton and grain for payment closed at $3\ 46\frac{1}{8}$. More gold has been received this week, approximately \$10,200,000 on the S. S. Lafayette consigned to J. P. Morgan & Co. for account of the French Government, and a shipment of \$3,000,000 British gold on the Cunarder Aquitania for Kuhn, Loeb & Co., making a total in all of \$13,200,000. The French gold is of course incidental to the payment of France's part of the Anglo-French loan. An additional shipment of \$5,000,000 is expected to arrive in a day or so on the S. S. La Touraine.

Renewed weakness marked dealings in the Continental exchanges, and rates again slumped heavily. Exchange on Paris for a time was conspicuously weak, losing 45 points, from the close last week, to 15.07. No adequate explanation could be found for the recession, beyond the continued offering of French bills in huge volume, which some dealers ascribe to preparations for the forthcoming loan payments. Italian lire also lost ground, and following less favorable reports of industrial conditions in Italy, broke to 24.07, or a loss of 107 points, and a new low on the present downward swing. Movements were extremely erratic and in the initial dealings both of these currencies were marked up for a time to as high as 14.07 and 22.57, respectively. Antwerp francs were heavy practically throughout, though losses were less pronounced. Persistent selling in a narrow, unresponsive market almost bare of buyers, coupled with a substantial lowering in quotations from abroad, figured largely in the decline. German marks, on the other hand, were in better demand and, after early weakness when a new low on the current movement to 1.34 was reached, there was a subsequent rally of 29 points, to 1.63 for checks, though the close was under this figure. It is alleged that the recent break in marks was due to reports from Berlin that a forced loan is being seriously considered, also that to some extent traders are discounting the likelihood of Germany's being obliged to import large quantities of foodstuffs during the coming winter. Very little hope is entertained of anything like a material recovery in the value of the mark, since it is pointed out that there is only a light demand for Berlin exchange for commercial or other legitimate purposes and that the exchange rate has been maintained lately largely by speculative

manipulation. With the subsidence of the wave of speculation and the removal of artificial support, prices dropped and marks are now said to be following their natural course. Trading as a whole in the Continental exchanges was spotty with price variations nervous and irregular. In the latter part of the week a firmer tone developed and some of the loss was regained, but at the extreme close weakness again set in and final quotations were, in most cases, the lowest for the week.

According to advices from the American Trade Commissioner at Constantinople, the Greek Government has officially announced the removal of all restrictions on foreign exchange transactions in Greece. American business men at that centre, however, intimate that the decree is not particularly important, since it has been possible to obtain authorization for exchange transactions whenever necessary. It is understood that the Brazilian Government intends to open a credit for 750,000,000 francs for the economic reconstruction of Belgium, and that a final decision in the matter will be reached after conference with the Belgian Royal party now visiting the Brazilian capital. Announcement comes from Madrid that a further prolongation of the Spanish credit to France is again being discussed. No decision has as yet been reached, but the matter is under advisement by the Ministers of Finance and Foreign Affairs. Bankers here are said to be watching with considerable interest the novel banking plan recently put in operation in Spain whereby Government support of industrial loans is to be had by means of a bond issue up to 80% of the credits extended. A recent dispatch from Budapest announces that French and Italian aid for Hungarian banks is expected. Negotiations are said to be in progress whereby a substantial block of the Hungarian Bank of the Fatherland's stock is to be transferred to Paris, while Italian financiers are preparing to supply a part of the capital for the General Savings Institute of Hungary.

The official London check rate on Paris closed at 52.00, which compares with 52.98 last week. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 14.97, against 14.62; cable transfers 14.95, against 14.60; commercial sight 15.00, against 14.66, and commercial sixty days 15.08, against 14.73. Closing quotations for Belgian francs were 14.17 for checks and 14.15 for cable remittances. Last week the close was 13.85 and 13.83. Berlin marks finished the week at 1.52 for checks and 1.54 for cable transfers, in comparison with 1.50 and 1.52 a week ago. For Austrian kronen the close was 00.43 for checks and 00.44 for cable transfers, against 00.45 and 00.46 the week previous. Lire finished at 23.97 for bankers' sight bills and 23.95 for cable transfers, in comparison with 23.00 and 22.98 last week. Exchange on Czecho-Slovakia, which continues to follow the course of the other exchanges, ruled weak and declined to 1.28, though the close was 1.33, against 1.36; Bucharest finished at 1.95, against 2.06; on Poland at 45, against 46, and on Finland at 2.70, against 3.00 on Friday of the week before. Greek exchange established another new low level, namely, 10.35 for checks, though the close was 10.40 and 10.50 for cable transfers, comparing with 10.60 and 10.70 a week ago.

Movements in the neutral exchanges have been rather colorless, though here also the trend was downward and losses were again sustained in Scandinavian rates, Swiss francs and guilders. Pesetas

received some support and ruled slightly above the levels recently current. While the adverse trade balances of these countries is of course the outstanding factor in depressing currency values, the declines of the recent past have been largely in sympathy with variations in the other exchanges, since trading remains exceedingly small in volume. For a while a better tone was noted and some of the declines were recovered, but before the close prices had again sagged off.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam closed at 31, against 31; cable transfers at 31½, against 31½; commercial sight at 30 15-16, against 30 15-16, and commercial sixty days 30 9-16, against 30 9-16 a week ago. Swiss francs after declining to 6.24, recovered and closed at 6.22 for bankers' sight bills and 6.20 for cable transfers, in comparison with 6.16 and 6.14 last week. Copenhagen checks finished at 13.65 and cable transfers 13.75, against 13.70 and 13.80. Checks on Sweden closed at 20.00 and cable transfers 20.10, against 20.25 and 20.35, while checks on Norway finished at 13.25 and cable remittances 13.35, against 13.70 and 13.80 the week preceding. Spanish pesetas, following a decline to 14.62, rallied and closed at 14.74 for checks and 14.76 for cable transfers.

With regard to South American quotations a slightly firmer tone has been evident and the check rate on Argentina moved up to 37¾ and cable transfers 37½, with the close 37.12½ and 37.25, as against 36.10 and 36.20 a week ago. For Brazil the final rate was 17.62½ for checks and 17.75 for cable transfers, against 18.00 for checks and 18.50 for cable transfers, last week. Chilian exchange was a shade easier at 20, against 21, while Peru is still at 5.02.

Far Eastern exchange is as follows: Hong Kong, 76½@77, against 77@77½; Shanghai, 106½@107, against 108@108½; Yokohama, 51¼@51½, against 51½@51½; Manila, 46½@47, against 46½@47½; Singapore, 43@43½, against 42½@43; Bombay, 33@33½, against 33@34, and Calcutta, 33½@34, against 34½@35½.

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$5,364,000 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending Sept. 24. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$9,762,000, while the shipments have reached \$4,398,000. Adding the Sub-Treasury and Federal Reserve operations and the gold imports, which together occasioned a loss of \$52,112,000, the combined result of the flow of money into and out of the New York banks for the week appears to have been a loss of \$46,748,000, as follows:

	Week ending Sept. 24.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Net Change in Bank Holdings.	
Banks' interior movement-----		\$9,762,000	\$4,398,000	Gain	\$5,364,000
Sub-Treasury and Federal Reserve operations and gold imports-----		28,479,000	80,591,000	Loss	52,112,000
Total-----		\$38,241,000	\$84,989,000	Loss	\$46,748,000

The following table indicates the amount of bullion in the principal European banks:

Banks of-	Sept. 23 1920.			Sept. 25 1919.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England -	£123,064,646	£	£123,064,646	£88,196,371	£	£88,196,371
France a-	141,307,382	10,440,000	151,747,382	143,822,364	11,680,000	155,502,364
Germany	54,579,150	348,600	54,927,750	54,849,250	972,450	55,821,700
Aus-Hun	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	10,926,000	2,354,000	13,280,000
Spain -----	98,092,000	23,762,000	121,854,000	96,412,000	25,624,000	122,036,000
Italy -----	32,229,000	2,998,000	35,227,000	32,200,000	2,984,000	35,184,000
Netherl'ds	53,029,000	1,449,000	54,478,000	52,631,000	486,000	53,117,000
Nat. Bel.	10,660,000	1,068,000	11,728,000	10,641,000	1,404,000	12,045,000
Switz'land	21,613,000	3,720,000	25,333,000	18,696,000	2,579,000	21,275,000
Sweden -----	14,514,000	-----	14,514,000	16,684,000	-----	16,684,000
Denmark -----	12,643,000	145,000	12,788,000	10,382,000	167,000	10,549,000
Norway -----	8,119,000	-----	8,119,000	8,167,000	-----	8,167,000
Total week	580,794,178	46,299,600	627,093,778	543,606,985	48,250,450	591,857,435
Prev. week	581,195,189	46,161,950	627,357,139	543,668,971	48,383,200	592,052,171

a Gold holdings of the Bank of France this year are exclusive of £78,275, held abroad.

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF FRANCE.

By a vote of 695 out of the total 892 recorded votes of the French Electoral Congress—which comprises members of the two houses of the French Parliament—Alexandre Millerand was on Thursday elected President of France. Millerand steps from the office of Prime Minister to that of the Presidency, and his election is interesting as the first occasion in French politics, we believe, on which the choice has fallen upon the chief of an existing Government. This would have been equally true of Clemenceau, had that statesman's candidacy for President in succession to Poincaré been successful last January. But his defeat was so decided as to make the success of Millerand all the more impressive; not less so, when it is well known that Millerand accepted the candidacy with some reluctance and under pressure from his legislative colleagues. Three of the former French Presidents—Thiers, Casimir-Perier and Loubet—had served as Prime Minister before their election to the Presidency, but none of them was taken directly from that office.

This fact, and the circumstances under which Millerand has been chosen, have resulted in a political agreement which may eventually have far-reaching results. Urged by his fellow-deputies to accept the candidacy, the Premier immediately laid down certain stipulations; insisting that, if the members of Parliament were to elect him President, they should do so with the clear understanding that their vote implied acceptance of the conditions. Those conditions, as reported in this week's cablegrams from Paris are: First, that there shall be no essential change in national policy from that pursued by the Millerand Ministry since last spring, particularly in regard to the terms of the treaty of peace and of German reparation; second, that Millerand as President shall himself have a more important voice in Cabinet consultations than has heretofore been conceded to the President. It was proposed and tacitly agreed to that this active participation in Cabinet consultations should continue, regardless of what political party should hereafter control the Deputies and the Cabinet.

It is declared, in some of the comments on this agreement which have come to us from Paris, that it amounts to a constitutional amendment greatly enlarging the powers of the French President. That official has hitherto occupied a somewhat anomalous position. He selected the Ministry when a change of Government was forced by a change in Parliamentary majorities; but since he had to suit the Chamber of Deputies by his new appointees, his actual power in the matter has amounted to no more than the power of the British Crown in a similar case—which is purely nominal. He had, however, like our own President, the power of civil and military appointments, but in these also the concurrence of the Ministry has proved to be necessary as a matter of practice.

In regard to matters of legislation he has no power whatever; neither the proposal of new laws in an official message, nor the veto power over laws enacted—two of the most important functions of the American Presidency—is granted to the President of France. His past official status seems in fact to have resulted from the curious effort of the French Constitution of 1875 to combine the English system of a responsible parliamentary ministry and

a titular head of State—in England the hereditary sovereign—with the American system of an elected President, irremovable from office during a fixed term of service. The compromise was not altogether fortunate; for, although the office of French President enjoyed great social prestige, was highly salaried—the President receives 600,000 francs per annum with an equal additional allowance for expenses—and had in certain cases the exclusive power to make treaties, he was bound to become a political figurehead, because of what he was not allowed to do.

How far the character of the office can be permanently changed by such an agreement as that between Millerand and the Parliament, is necessarily a matter of conjecture. The agreement could hardly bind even members of the present Parliament who did not vote for him, and it certainly could not bind subsequently elected members. It was a kind of arrangement which would not have been possible at all, except in a political system under which the President is elected, not by the people but by the majority of Parliament.

In our own country, changes from the original purposes of the constitution have occurred which were fully as far-reaching as the granting to the French President of an active voice in Cabinet councils. Our constitution allowed the people at large to vote, not for the President directly, but for electors who were supposed to exercise their own judgment in the choice. Our own early political practice placed the nominating of a Presidential candidate in the hands of a Congressional caucus. But both of these older traditions were swept aside by the people's will, and very early in our history the Presidential electors became mere machines to register the popular will, while the voting electorate itself chose its delegates to the nominating conventions.

These changes, however, came about as direct concessions to the voting public. The proposed enlarging of the French Presidential power is in no sense recognition of the public, since that public has no voice in the selection of the President, but a very positive and frequent voice in selection of the Deputies, and therefore of the Ministry, which the Deputies support so long as they believe it to embody the public will. These considerations render it doubtful how much of permanency the Millerand arrangement could possess. It is possible to foresee some serious obstacles to its workable efficiency after the situation created by the personal prestige of Millerand and the moral obligation of the present Parliament has passed. The arrangement has a faint resemblance to the lately discussed proposal of admitting our own Vice-President to active participation in the discussions of the Cabinet.

Any new experiment with the French Presidency, however, is bound to be of much political interest. The office has suffered much from unfortunate incidents which have occurred in connection with it. The rather common statement, that no French President before Poincaré served out his seven-year term of office, is not correct. Fallières, who held the place from 1906 to 1913, and Loubet, who held it from 1899 to 1906, served out their respective terms; while among their predecessors, Faure and Carnot died in office. But it is true that all of the three Presidents chosen between 1871 and 1887—Thiers, McMahon and Grévy—resigned with their term un-

completed, and that Casimir-Perier in 1895 threw up his office seven months after his election. Deschanel's retirement for illness and incapacity, eight months after his election, made five resignations for the ten French Presidents who have been elected under the present republic. It is possible that the new dispensation may promise something better.

IS "CIVILIZATION" TO BE SUBMERGED IN "SOCIALISM"?

Anatole France, according to an interview, sees in Russia "all the travail, strength, and agony of something great being born there," even though there are "tremendous faults and lacks, elemental crudeness there." "What do you see being born there?" he is asked. "Socialism, of course. I mean that for the first time Socialism is a tremendous fact instead of an agitating theme only. Socialism in one form or another is inevitable throughout the world. And it is the one hope for Europe." In keeping with this he sees in the "Red armies, barefooted and half-starved . . . against a ring of enemies," the valiant martyrs of a new era. Asked if he does not except the United States and Japan from the "advance," he replies: "Yes, they are the only nations that have come out economically more powerful. . . . They have grown richer, while Europe is going bankrupt. . . . And therein I see a great danger for both of these countries—militarism. There industrialism is developing tremendously. Industrialism in turn demands protection and expansion for its vast properties, transport, foreign markets. This means large standing armies and navies." And he visions a "dangerous" "temper" that may turn to imperialism if not spiritualized.

The eye that can pierce the dark welter of ideas and conditions in Russia and discover *any* leading for the world at large must be a bold and prophetic one. The American people are far away. Poland and Germany are near at hand. Poland is fighting the Red armies; and Poland has been aggressive and is again on the verge. The dispatches intimate that refugees of the Red armies fleeing into Germany furnish an object lesson of Sovietism and that Germans are aghast at the spectacle of the result of this poisonous fungus of government. It is undoubtedly true that we as a people do not know how this other half of the world lives. The vague spectre of Bolshevism has been held up to us, that by a certain quasi-socialism, by a concession of capital to labor, we may escape the alleged coming travail. We have lived secure in our Government and our social order heretofore, but there is abundant turmoil here now, and there are those who would frighten us with more to come. A bloody ogre, it seems, stalks the world, and the compromise between despotism and decadence is "Socialism."

Is this dire surmise as to what may, nay will, happen, worthy the serious pause of this great nation? And one might insinuate that we may go on in "progressivism," in yielding to insidious and selfish class demands under the threat of "disintegration" if we do not, until our foundations and stability are indeed swept away. If civilization is a wall against disorder that descends logically to barbarism shall the seepage be allowed to continue, or shall we in time take thought of our institutions that they be not undermined by social theories and economic vagaries? But are we really alarmed, and are we really in danger? There is but one definite answer

—and that is if we do not stand firm against error it *will prevail*. If we do not see the tendencies in certain domestic movements among us, they will gain in power, until they may overthrow existing institutions. The time to act is now. The lesson to be learned is in the "conditions" elsewhere. The way to profit by example is to take time by the forelock.

Confine our thought to one principle. Can we continue our own civilization as we have builded it without recognition of the rights of ownership, without protection of property, without freedom of opportunity and guaranty of the rewards of toil? There is idle talk among us of some cataclysmic industrial revolution. The vast majority of our people continue their work and business on the old basis and are annoyed more than alarmed. We do not really vision our factories suddenly seized by the Commune. We do not imagine the farms of our vast area will soon be confiscated into the keeping of the State. And yet do we really appreciate the tendency of this doctrine that property shall be partly managed by those who do not legally or morally own any part of it, or that it shall be given partially into the control of those who are wholly outside its actual operation? Do we realize that this everlasting insistence on a "new era," or a "humanizing" of our affairs, on this claim of "better living conditions" is the inception of a tendency that can lead nowhere else than to its logical conclusion in Socialism or Sovietism?

If one can stand apart from it all and for a moment look upon the scene independently are we not now engaged in denying those processes which alone have advanced us, and covertly attacking that Government which has protected us? The war disordered everything, everywhere. But did the war disrupt this Government of ours or destroy one of its fundamental principles and laws, *of itself and permanently*? Sweep away all that necessity and expediency constructed *for the war*, and what have we left but that industry, society and Government which preserved us and progressed us—to be one of the foremost nations of earth—a nation now little enervated by the poison of discontent? Who then, loving this land of his birth, would in economic, social, or political discussion, capitalize the aftermath of war to upset tradition, to deny our essential safety from the boisterous clamor of the few, to spread upon the retreating winds of war the false reasonings of fanatics, and to temporize with those who seek to fatten upon a temporary disorder to gain a selfish end, either in a triumph of doctrine or an advantage in personal affairs. If Europe is doomed to Socialism where is individualism to be maintained if not in the United States? And how is the dire disaster to be prevented save by precautions in the present?

Yet some would tell us that the way to preserve is to procrastinate, the way to safeguard is to ignore the seepage, the way to "determinism" in our own affairs is to continually look away from them to the troubles overseas and into the mists of a dreamed-of future! Civilization *will* perish if what we have attained to in industry and the institutions that flower above it are all wrong. There may be no danger of a sudden "overturn," there is danger of a constant sapping at the walls. The nation *may* fall into ruin when too weak by enervating inroads to defend itself. It is a far cry from the protection of what

we have—our individual liberties and our personal ownership of property—to an imperialistic ambition to rule the world in fact, or even to lead it in the access of an emotional idealism. If Bolshevism in Russia is only Socialism gone mad—all countries that accept it are doomed to a like fate—unless it can be shown that separating men from their freedom of initiative and their private ownership of property is not only stabilizing to Government but uplifting to humanity. If tyranny arise from below it is no less tyranny than if imposed from above. Nursing all sorts of millenial ideas will not conduce to law and order builded on what we have, what we are. And it may be said of a political campaign, since that is now uppermost, that it will not elevate or stabilize or rightfully advance a people, if it profits by denying what we *have* accomplished as good, and crusading upon fantastic pictures of an Utopian era to come. The storms shall not prevail against a people and a Government standing upon a rock—the rock of an actual accomplishment that has proven its worth—but the house will fall builded on the sands—the shining and shifting sands of a melodramatic futurism.

"LABOR'S" LACK OF LOGIC.

"Convince a man against his will, he's of the same opinion still." The American Federation of Labor, through its President, Samuel Gompers, replies to a report of the Committee on Industrial Relations of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, entitled "Principles Underlying the Employment Relation," by quoting first, Plank II, as follows: "The right of open-shop operation, that is, the right of employer and employee to enter into and determine the conditions of employment relations with each other, is an essential part of the individual right of contract possessed by each of the parties." And then follows with this statement: "This is a direct challenge to the trade union movement coming from the heart of America's financial power. The proposition set forth by the United States Chamber of Commerce in this plank involves no principle. On the contrary, it is merely a statement of what the United States Chamber of Commerce hopes the employers of the United States will do if they have the power to do it. The spirit of it coincides exactly with the spirit of the jungle man who started out to kill."

We have not space for proper comparison of this report with the reply of the A. F. of L. But one other statement from the reply will suffice for our purpose. Mr. Gompers says:

"That the Chamber of Commerce has gone outside of its legitimate field in launching this attack upon the trade union movement is not surprising, because the membership of the Chamber of Commerce is overwhelmingly an employing membership, a membership long in opposition to the trade union movement, and a membership not above using any instrument with which it thinks the progress of the trade union movement may be impeded and its beneficial work retarded."

Now it must be understood that in this so-called "attack" there occurs this "plank": "When in the establishment or adjustment of employment relations, the employer and his employees do not deal individually, but by mutual consent, such dealing is conducted by either party through representatives, it is proper for the other party to ask that these representatives shall not be chosen or controlled by, or in such dealing in any degree represent, any out-

side group or interest in the questions at issue." Reduced to a minimum this expresses opposition to what is known as "collective bargaining *outside* the plant" as against the shop committee or council. And the United States Chamber has a perfect right to its own opinion so expressed. But why designate this as a vicious attack upon trade unionism as a whole—unless the spear enters a vital spot, unless the American Federation of Labor admits it cannot exist and perform helpful work unless there is collective bargaining by representatives of labor *not* directly engaged in the plant or industry employing labor—unless, to go one step further, negotiations and enforcement of demands of laborers *in* a plant or industry may be backed up by "strikes" ordered by unions local or general not direct parties to the employment?

Suppose the directors of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce are employers—they have nothing to do, as a board of directors, *with* the employer, employee or employment of any plant or industry—do not and cannot become parties thereto—and *do not demand the right to send representatives into any plant or industry to declare the terms of contract to be entered into*. The very essence of the "open shop" is that the employer and employee shall enter into a direct relation by contract without interference from the outside. But the American Federation of Labor, by its advocacy of the right of interference by representatives of its own will from outside of employer or employee, lays itself liable to the very charge it hurls against the Chamber of Commerce. The truth is that these two bodies are both "federations." A Chamber of Commerce, though it *may* represent in the main employers, represents both merchant and manufacturer, as well as transport companies, in all lines of trade. And it does not undertake to present, advocate or enforce its own estimates of wage scales. This is exactly what the A. F. of L. does do. Why charge an onslaught on the A. F. of L. as an organization when there is only a declaration of principle as to what relation shall prevail between employer and employee—a mere matter of opinion, which ends where it begins? Does the A. F. of L. stop with the declaration of a principle when it demands that selected members shall "sit in" in contracts that solely concern employer and employee as parties thereto? Suppose these employers who are said to form and direct the U. S. Chamber of Commerce *do* meet together to further the interests of employers (in addition to the general good of commerce and industry through study and enlightenment) the moment they attempted to set prices in one particular industry the whole organization would fall into ruin. Yet similarly trades may form themselves into class unions, join the A. F. of L., and when one of these class unions strikes to enforce wage demands it is as a rule supported by the A. F. of L. and all other class unions. And if there be any people outside these two congregations, employers in industry and employees, then which organization exerts most power on the people? And are not wages as much a concern of the non-interfering and non-organized worker as prices? More even than this, strikes over which the A. F. of L. concerns itself most are those that affect basic industries—coal, steel, etc. Does any Chamber of Commerce anywhere, local or general, undertake to coerce by any process, the conduct of any individual industry as to its profits or prices—or, in fact,

do anything other than promulgate proper laws of trade and disseminate information as to capital's opportunity?

The charge of vicious attack seems clearly unjustified. To attack a principle is not to attack a principal. To announce a belief—and leave the matter there—not striving to enter from the outside into the terms of a free contract, is not to imperil any man's liberty. Why is not the A. F. of L. content to declare its belief in a "closed shop" and stop there? Why does it, an outside, unincorporated body, employing no worker and producing nothing that can enter into trade of itself, demand the right to send a representative to sit in council with an employer and body of employees and *make* a contract? The shoe of interference seems to be on the other foot.

A CASE OF REAL DEMOCRACY IN INDUSTRY.

Industrial peace, social welfare, and national progress are the universal ideal, and even the wildest Red would declare himself for it, if he could be calmed down long enough to answer a straight inquiry as to his own aims. But no firm steps toward this ideal will be won except as the preachers of discord lose their listeners, the falsity of the dogma of an irrepressible conflict between labor and capital is exposed, and employer and employee (the two ends of the line) come together by blending under genuine co-operation, or (as perhaps the natural preliminary to such a blending) realize that their interests are really common and their efforts should be common also. Labor and capital are partners. What God thus joined together misunderstanding and false teachers are keeping apart. The separation cannot last; the throes and wastes and distresses of the industrial upheaval we are now enduring are a part of the disciplinary teaching by which the world will learn.

All beginnings of a real attempt to produce a partnership between capital and labor are of keen interest and have their lesson. A large bleachery plant at Wappinger's Falls, N. Y., employing 500 persons, has been for two years carrying out a plan of partnership on lines which are in some respects distinctive. The plan includes, and operates through, three Boards. A Board of Operatives, representing the employees and not the management, is made up of one member from each of the eleven departments of the plant, chosen by secret ballot in each; for this Board a secretary is appointed, paid by the company, but regarded as the Board's employee. The functions of this Board are wholly advisory, with one exception: the company's tenement properties are committed to it, with entire control in every particular, but with the expectation that a fair return on the investment as a business proposition will be shown.

Next, and perhaps as one step higher up, there is a Board of Management, of six persons, consisting of three company officers, of whom the manager is one, and three chosen by the Board of Operatives from their own number. All questions of wages and hours and of management in general come before this second Board. Four are a quorum, and a majority decide any proposition; in case of a tie the Board may choose an arbitrator, whose vote shall conclude on the particular question. The manager is the plant's executive head, but he is under control of this Board.

No. 3, and another step higher, is a Board of Directors, five in number. The company is represented by its president, its secretary, and its treasurer; the employees have the fourth as their representative, who may or may not be of Board No. 1, while the "public" has the fifth, who is a resident of the town. Board No. 1 is usually asked to nominate this "member for the public," but the company reserves the right to select him. The membership in these Boards is one year, subject to re-election.

Board No. 3 has exclusive control of disbursements, with the important exception of wages, those being in the hands of Board No. 2, that of Management.

There are some things established beyond the power of man to alter, however he disapprove and fight them. Any desired change in the method of recording the sun's movements may be made, but his movements are unalterable; equally so is the law that the work-day cannot be shortened, except by accepting a reduction of total product, with all that involves, or by increasing efficiency of each worker and each hour. Organized labor is demanding more and more for less and less—that is, an increasing share of a diminishing product; but the workers at Wappingers Falls see more clearly. At one time the company was considering a reduction of working hours, and the Board of Operatives asked that two hours be taken off the ten-hour day and 15% be added to the wage; this was according to the usual demand so far, but these workers declared that they would produce as much in the eight hours as they had been doing in the ten; the Board also asked that the employees be called together and that the need of keeping up production—so that loss should not come on company and workers, partners in profits—be explained to them. This was done. The meeting was held, the case was explained, the two-hour cut was inaugurated, the 15% wage increase was granted, and the result was an increase of 10% per man-hour in the output. This is interesting; it is significant; it is encouraging; but should it be thought strange?

Evidently these operatives mean business and see things as they are. They realize that checks on conduct are appropriate for those who need them and should not seem objectionable to those who do not need them; so they suggested time-clocks, and the clocks were installed. How such devices, and how all means of recording and rewarding individual ambition and proficiency, or the lack of those qualities, are regarded by organized labor generally (and by labor in Government service) is well known. This No. 1 Board of Operatives also offer prizes for suggestions of practical value, the Board being judge. In each room of the plant is a sealed box, and adjacent to it is a rack of cards; each card has a coupon attached, cards and coupons being numbered serially and in duplicate. The employee who thinks he has evolved something useful writes it on a card, not signing his name; he drops the card in the box and pockets the coupon. When the box is opened by the Board at the end of the month and any acceptable suggestion found is published, the produced coupon proves the authorship, and, since the card bears no name, there can be no favoritism in the Board's verdict.

Naturally, grievances are not many, but when a worker thinks he has one, he must take it up with his department's representative on the Board, and

the Board will pass it on, if worthy, to Board No. 2 for decision without appeal.

Company and workers are partners in profits, which is the ideal conception, and in this instance they are equal partners. All expenses, including income-tax, depreciation, and 6% to capital invested, are deducted; then the remainder goes "50-50." The conviction underlying the whole plan was that paying wages according to the market price of labor and making all possible profit for the capital owners is not equitable; the idea underlying the genuine scheme of modern co-operation and expressed in what is called "the wage" of capital is applied here in practice. The stockholder's "wage" is considered to be 6%, and the operative's wage is his weekly pay. A cost-accounting system is used, so that monthly statements can be made. The employee receives his share monthly, and it begins with his entering the service. The percentage of the division is upon salary or wage, and is the same from the head of the concern to the humblest worker. The indications so far in the year are that the rate for 1920 will be from 7% to 10%.

How about losses, the opposite and the guerrilla-pursuer of profits? Christian Revelation promises men crowns, and many would like (and perhaps expect) to receive the crown without having borne the cross which is its price and its maker; similarly, on the lower and mundane stage, people are ready to divide profits, but regard losses as meet for others. When business seems large and profits are assumed by the employee to be ample, he argues that he really ought to share them, since he helped produce them; when losses are mentioned he turns away with a shrug and a scowl. Any scheme of profit-sharing must therefore meet its searching test in its treatment of losses. In this concern, before any individual distribution of profits is made, 15% of the one-half is taken off and set aside in a Stockholders' Sinking Fund, and the like clip from the other half goes to an Operatives' Sinking Fund. On the assumption that capital is or should be always working and therefore its owners are entitled to their full "wage," the Stockholders' Sinking Fund is expected to pay the regular 6% if and while the business yields no profits; but, on the assumption that when the workers are laid off in dull times they can find some temporary employment, the Operatives' Sinking Fund pays them for half-time, so that they take some share in any loss experience of the business. These funds are replenished, as needed, to the maximum of \$85,000 for each, but not over 15% of each monthly dividend is taken for so doing. If the funds became exhausted, the company would begin re-establishing them as soon as practicable, or, as a dernier resort, return to the old system of wages; but so harsh an alternative is not anticipated.

The operatives do not so fully share in losses as in profits, yet their dividends are at once hit by unfavorable results of any kind, and the half-time wage when laid off is paid them by themselves. It does not seem inconceivable that such plans might develop into a still larger fund contributed by operatives, paying a fair interest normally and held against a larger participation in any positive losses. At least, the principle of participation and partnership is clear, and is justified by results.

The low and far too general stage in industry is when the worker, with his eye on the clock, views

his work as a hateful task, has no pride in it, and cares nothing for the employer. Profit-sharing is plainly a pointer and an incitement to better things, and when the complementary loss-sharing is added the pointer is more direct and the incitement increases. While the employee thinks his wage comes from the office of the plant and the employer pays it the breach between him and the employer remains wide and open; add some sharing in losses—that twin missing half of sharing in profits—and personal responsibility begins making its presence known in the plant. The workers realize, and appreciatively, that as they are to share desired results they will and must share somewhat in the undesired. An instance is told of this particular plant. So-called "pin cuts" had ruined a large quantity of cloth. Under the plan, this loss of \$6,000 fell equally upon both "partners," and when the employees considered that this one piece of carelessness would cost each of them \$6 on the dividends, peaceful but effectual means were found for bringing their fault home to the culprits. Similarly, slackers and quitters and the inefficient are not popular; their comrades find them, scorn them as drags, and seek to correct them or to shake them out, thus again proving the partnership with the owners of plant and capital.

The foregoing is a sketch of one concrete application of a plan; compared with other applications, this one may have defects as well as merits in the details, but it is correctly founded. It brings the employees in, as to a hearing, as to participation in all results, and as to control, thus meeting the definition of a partnership. It answers to the postulates of reason and justice, and it agrees with human nature. It finds dividends by joint and concurrent action, and does not seek them in quarrels, where they can never be found.

THE BONUS PROPOSITION TO BE VOTED ON AT THE NEW YORK ELECTION.

One constitutional amendment and one "proposition" will be offered to the electorate of this State on November 2, for ratification, rejection, or an uninformed and perhaps indifferent passing-by without any expression. The amendment, filling nearly one and one-half columns of solid newspaper advertising type, applies to present Article 7, chiefly relating to State debts. The amendment would strike out considerable present matter and insert much more. The existing power to contract debt for meeting "casual deficits or failures in revenues" is enlarged and made somewhat more loose by striking out the present limit of a million dollars, but the bonds issued for this purpose must be paid off within one year. The other changes appear to be in manner of expression and order of position rather than very serious, but a very careful comparison of the Article in its present form with the amendment would be needed before even the most careful voter could pass intelligently upon it; the burden of proof should also be always held to lie upon the proponents of any constitutional tinkering, and it will be better for the voter who does not feel informed upon this to put his mark on the "No."

The "proposition" brings up matter of a very different nature, a "bonus." This is a referendum on a law enacted May 21 last and provides for issue of 5% tax-free State bonds, up to 45 millions, to be placed at not under par and to be paid off in twenty-five equal annual installments, the first of those

to be one year after date of issue. The purpose is "the payment of a bonus to persons who served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time between April 6 1917 and November 11 1918." The money thus distributed is to be exempt from all tax and from levy on execution, and the disbursement is to be by a special commission created by the legislature for that purpose. Every person, male or female, who entered and acted honorably in the service between those dates and was then and still is a citizen of the State shall be entitled to receive, up to a total of \$250, a bonus of \$10 for each month or fraction of such person's active service. Officers above the grade of captain in the land forces or senior-grade lieutenant in the navy are excluded from participation; so are conscientious objectors who did not render unqualified service, those who served only in the students' army training corps, and those who have received a like bonus from another State. Near relatives of persons deceased may receive the allowance which such deceased persons would have had title to if they had lived. The Legislature "shall provide by law for the establishment and administration of a fund to be used for the amelioration of the condition of residents of this State who are suffering from disability incurred in the military or naval service of the United States at any time" within the dates above-named, "and shall authorize any person who so desires to assign to such fund the bonus to which he is entitled under this Act."

This bill was slipped through while the like bonus scheme was in Congress, and it may have escaped public notice because attention was directed upon the more comprehensive attempt. The objections to both are substantially the same as in last May and need not be reviewed at length. Everything just and practicable is due to Americans who were in the struggle, and, while their service is not expressible in terms of money, there is a debt due in compensation for the lives that were lost and the injuries that were sustained. A bonus, however, does not fend off, but may even tend to bring, a renewal of the old pensions and the abuses thereof; moreover, no small number of participants in the inestimable service suffered no physical or other injury, but, on the contrary, gained in point of worldly advantage and by an experience which is of priceless value to themselves and their descendants; these need neither pension nor bonus, and the best of them (far the majority, we would believe) want none and resent the offer as an affront to their manhood. An indiscriminate largess is not relieved one whit of its inherent viciousness by the needless proviso that persons who are entitled to receive it but neither need nor want it may pass it on to others for whom it is appropriate; some State provision for real disability and for the dependents of the slain would have merit, but it should be proposed separately and without appeal to selfishness in a general scramble. The question to go on the ballot is distinct enough to indicate the purpose unmistakably to every voter, and there should be no doubt of the rejection of such an indiscriminating proposition; the very least which can be said is that no such scheme should be slipped through unobserved and by default.

And this suggests anew the serious and proved dangerous defect in the manner of getting constitutional changes. The very extraordinary number of eighteen amendment propositions are pending in

this State, but only the one already sketched is now before the electorate; the other seventeen are referred to the Legislature now to be chosen, and some or all of them may therefore come up for acceptance next year. But the constitutional provision regarding amendments has the defect that any such propositions become portions of the fundamental law of the State, "if the people shall approve and ratify such amendment or amendments by a majority of the electors *voting thereon*." These last two words are deadly in import and have proven harmful in result. The matter now printed fills one and one-half pages of solid newspaper advertising type; advertising is not necessarily "publishing," and if this comes up before the electorate in 1921 or at any other time not even the most watchful and intelligent of citizens can form an opinion upon it without a diligent comparison of the offered changes with the present text.

The assumption that under a representative scheme of government the interest taken in the question of who shall have the offices will be sufficient to always draw out a reasonably full vote is sound, and no requirement that a vote, in order to elect, must be "full" to any particular fraction of the total number of qualified voters is necessary or would be practicable; but with respect to making or altering constitutions this assumption is unsound and lamentably fails. Amendment proposals are nominally "published" but not read. Interest and newspaper discussions are absorbed in the candidates for offices. When the elector enters the voting booth he is confronted by questions of which he knows nothing, and there is nobody by to inform him; some heedlessly assume that it is all right to vote "yes," but the greater number omit to vote or do not even look at that part of the ballot-sheet. So a minority decide the most important of all questions. If, as has occurred in a number of instances, the amendment is for the supposed advantage of organized labor, or is one in which some faction has a personal axe to grind, the interested persons are "tipped off" in advance to vote "yes," and they carry their way through default because of ignorance and inattention of the public at large.

As the "Chronicle" has already urged, and more than once, no proposal should become valid as part of the fundamental law of the State on which all else rests, unless it receives an affirmative vote equal to at least the smallest total vote cast for any regular party candidate for office at the same election; perhaps the largest rather than the smallest of such votes should be the required minimum, but to make it even the smallest would secure a vast advance in safety. All persons who desired constitutional changes would immediately perceive that such could no longer be accomplished "on the quiet," and through default, since a regularly full vote upon all changes must be brought out. In order to bring it out, a real publicity through explanation and discussion would be necessary. This would discourage attempts to get "class" and other selfish provisions into the constitution; and any proposition not sufficiently meritorious and timely to enlist a full publicity by effort of its proponents might well wait for a more favorable opportunity.

Such a change of course requires a constitutional amendment to bring it about, and here is the obvious difficulty. Persons who are generally indifferent to matters of public concern will not have a motive

to push this, and those who are selfishly interested in keeping the way to constitution-tinkering open as at present will be alert rather to estop than to further this change. Unhappily, the intrinsic merits of a proposition are not always sufficient, under a democratic form, to cause it to be taken up and carried through. So we have to wait for the gradual betterment of public opinion; meanwhile, every bit of mention and argument yields its bit of help.

THE RESEARCH MAGNIFICENT.

Since we published in our issue of Sept. 4 the editorial on "The Research Magnificent," in which we made reference to David Baines-Griffith, who died in Liverpool soon after his arrival in England, where he had gone to try to help on the war, and through whom the phrase constituting the title of the article had come to us, we have received a copy of this poem of his, which was printed in the Springfield "Republican," not long before he sailed. It enlarges and confirms the noble purpose of his life and thought.

SISYPHUS?

Thou urgent Christ, thy blood-sweat is in vain.
For all thy kindliness, world's hate abides;
Black lust endures despite thy purity.
Thou lovest peace: Thy lovers are at war,
They mock the travail of thy soul.

Thy hope for love is vain, O dreaming Christ,
In men thou shalt not find high martyr-mood.
Their law is Strength, the god most muscular
Whom all the tribunes worship, and confess
He is supreme, majestic Lord.

But on my hill of sorrows lovelight falls.
See these my friends with garments not defiled
Who constant serve in holy gentleness.
Who for my sake would even dare to die:
Thou poor in faith, my hope shines clear.

Thou tempted child, the blood-sweat shall avail.
Sudden my might of love shall hurl the load
That nevermore may crush the sons of men.
Then pride's surcease, the kingdom of the kind,
And earth shall yet keep holiday.

—DAVID BAINES-GRIFFITHS.

*There are still among us strong men into whose eyes the name of Christ brings tears, who for His sake would even dare to die.—FREDERIC SEEBOHM.

CANADA'S GROWTH IN EXTERNAL TRADE—AIDED BY BANKS.

Ottawa, Can., Sept. 22 1920.

Since 1914 the total external trade of Canada has developed by 119% and the value of her total exports by 182%. For the year 1913-14 the total external trade stood at \$1,073,894,368, while for 1919-20 it was \$2,351,174,778. During the same period the total exports rose from \$455,437,224 to \$1,286,658,709.

An important contributory factor in the development of export trade channels is to be found in the aggressive policy of the leading Canadian banks, which of late years have established their agencies in scores of foreign trade centres. For example, one Canadian bank, which has enjoyed a meteoric rise during the past ten years, has now a chain of nearly one hundred foreign branches through the West Indies, in seven countries of Southern and Central America and in England, France and Spain. Canadian business men have definitely recognized that the banker must lead the way in foreign trade expansion.

The latest figures available show that 55.4% of Canada's trade is with the United States; 26.5% with the United Kingdom, and 18.1% with other countries, among which come Asia, West Indies, South America, Oceania, Africa and Central America in the order named. Six years ago 53.2% of the total trade of the Dominion was with the United States; 33.1% with the United Kingdom and 13.7% with other countries. In that year the United Kingdom took approximately 50% of the exports; the United States 37.8% and all other countries 12%.

There is a steady and gratifying increase in Canadian exports to Asia, to Southern and Western Africa and New Zealand, as well as to South America and the West Indies. The Canadian Government Merchant Marine, which now has a score of ships in the public service, the largest being short of 10,000 tons, is another element in establishing Canadian products in foreign countries.

THE MORATORIA IN THE CANADIAN WESTERN PROVINCES.

Ottawa, Can., Sept. 22 1920.

United States investors in municipal and other securities of the Canadian prairie provinces, will be interested in a summary of the present standing of the moratoria established during the war for the protection of mortgagors and purchasers of the land.

In Manitoba the War Relief Act, passed in 1915, provided for its own termination and will cease to have any effect after the first day of May 1921. Manitoba's moratorium, like that of other Canadian provinces, relieved purchasers of lands and mortgages from the payment of principal at the time specifically stated in their contracts or agreement, if interest, taxes and insurance chargeable against the security had been paid.

In Saskatchewan the "Volunteers and Reservists Relief Act" will practically come to an end on the first day of November 1921. In Alberta the Act providing for the release of mortgagors can be canceled at any time by an order-in-council. Efforts have been made to induce the Government to bring it to an end, but have not been successful thus far. A similar state of indefiniteness exists in British Columbia, where the provisions of the Moratorium Act have been extended for one year. The province of Ontario, at the last session of the legislature, provided that repayment of the principal money due on any mortgage or agreement to purchasers cannot be deferred longer than the first of January 1921.

THE BOMB IN WALL STREET—WHAT DOES IT FORESHADOW?

[By Daniel Chauncey Brewer of the Order and Liberty Alliance.]

This generation may never know what the explosion of the bomb in Wall Street portended.

If it was without significance, it will shortly be forgotten.

If it occurred by Soviet intrigue, the crash may either mark the knell of mass tyranny which perpetrates any horror without conscious emotion, or usher in a new epoch of the sort of slavery that mass tyranny wishes to compel.

Wall Street has been supposed to be particularly alert to the economic and political drift of the hour, but so great are its concerns that it would not be surprising if it sometimes slept at the helm, as it was asleep prior to Sept. 16.

Has the report which immediately secured the attention of the authorities wakened the men whose force and judgment have made them a big factor in the Republic? If it has not, we may doubt—as Jerry Cruncher doubted in the case of the deafened Miss Pross (*Tale of Two Cities*), when he found her oblivious to the horrid sound of the tumbrils—whether

it will ever hear anything again. Has Wall Street been aroused?

If it has been, we shall shortly hear whether the catastrophe of the hour was an accident or a challenge calling upon ordered society to grapple with the noxious beast which would never have been spawned if it had not been for Society's own dereliction.

We shall also know whether the men whose importance in the public mind reflects the part they play in our national life are preparing to take up the glove which has been hurled in the face of the law-abiding public.

It will require courage to do this, some self-sacrifice, some assumption of tasks heretofore delegated to little men, some self-correction; but Wall Street at its best is equal to any task, and, like less important entities, may save its life by daring to hazard something in a great cause.

If it takes up the glove, we shall all know it. If it does not, that part of our citizenry which is still the greater part of our population and which values its freedom as it does the security provided by law—looking elsewhere for leadership—ought to lose no time in launching a campaign to block the aspirations of the intellectuals and the lawless. If it does this, it may demonstrate that the Wall Street explosion signaled the death of organized tyranny in the United States.

Current Events and Discussions

CONTINUED OFFERING OF BRITISH TREASURY BILLS.

The usual offering of ninety-day British Treasury bills was disposed of this week by J. P. Morgan & Co. on a discount basis of 6%, the rate which has been in effect for some time past. The bills in this week's offering are dated Sept. 20.

RATE ON FRENCH TREASURY BILLS CONTINUED AT 6½%.

The French ninety-day Treasury bills were disposed of this week on a discount basis of 6½%—the figure to which the rate was advanced March 26; it had previously for some time been 6%. The bills in this week's offering are dated September 24.

FRANCE READY TO MEET MATURING ANGLO-FRENCH LOAN—GOLD SHIPMENTS.

The statement that France would pay every dollar of her half (\$250,000,000) of the Anglo-French loan due in New York on Oct. 15, was made in Paris on Sept. 22 by Minister of Finance M. Francois Marsal, in the Cabinet Council. As to his further observations the cablegrams to the daily papers say:

M. Francois Marsal informed the Ministers that the French Treasury already had shipped to the United States \$150,000,000 in gold and securities. He added that the success of the \$100,000,000 loan contracted through J. P. Morgan & Co. would permit the picking up of all notes due Oct. 15.

Finance Minister Marsal, replying to a question submitted to him by a member of the Senate, said to-day that the expenses incurred through the Rhine occupation were estimated at the end of March to have reached 18,000,000,000 francs. The amount paid by Germany on account was 13,088,000,000 marks by the end of July, the equivalent of 402,000,000 francs. M. Francois Marsal added.

The gold shipments which have already arrived in this country as payment toward the Anglo-French loan have included a consignment of \$10,000,000 to J. P. Morgan & Co., received on the Lafayette, which docked here on the 20th, this, it is stated, having been the largest gold shipment conveyed on any one steamer since 1914, when the North German Lloyd steamer Kronprinzessin Cecilie carried a similar amount of gold.

N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE RULING ON SETTLEMENT OF CONTRACTS FOR FRENCH GOVERNMENT BONDS.

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange announced a ruling on Sept. 20, to the effect that contracts for Government of the French Republic, J. P. Morgan & Company Trust Receipts for 25-year External Gold Loan 8% Sinking Fund Coupon Bonds, due 1945, "When Issued," must be settled on Tuesday, Sept. 28 1920, by delivery of J. P. Morgan & Company Trust Receipts; further:

That said contracts may be settled prior to Sept. 28 1920, upon the seller giving to the buyer one day's written notice of his intention to make delivery; that such notice must be given before 2.15 p.m.; that interest will cease upon the giving of such notice.

The accrued interest from Sept. 15 1920, to Sept. 28 1920, (viz., 13 days) will amount to \$2.888 per \$1,000 bond.

Settlement of contracts may be enforced "under the rule" beginning Sept. 28 1920.

The disposal of these bonds, to the amount of \$100,000,000, by a syndicate headed by J. P. Morgan & Co., was referred to in our issue of Sept. 11, page 1035; last week, page 1131, we gave the basis of allotments.

RESTRICTIONS ON EXCHANGE IN GREECE REMOVED.

Announcement was made by the Department of Commerce at Washington on September 21 of the receipt of a recent communication from Trade Commissioner George Wythe at Constantinople, stating that the Constantinople branch of the Bank of Athens has received a telegram announcing the removal of the restrictions on foreign exchange transactions in Greece. The Department adds.

However, American business men who have lately been in Greece say that the decree is of slight importance, inasmuch as it has not been difficult to obtain authorization for exchange transactions whenever necessary.

SWEDISH DISCOUNT RATE ADVANCED TO 7½%.

The receipt was announced at Washington on Sept. 20, of a cablegram from Consul-General Murphy at Stockholm, Sweden, stating that the Riksbank's discount rate had been increased to 7½% on Sept. 17.

RETENTION BY SOUTH AFRICA OF GERMAN PROPERTY AS LOAN.

The local papers of Sept. 16 printed the following advices from Cape Town, Africa, under date of Aug. 16:

Property of Germans to the value of £9,000,000 is to be retained by the South African Government as a loan repayable in thirty years. This intention of the Government was announced to-day in the South African House of Assembly by the Premier, General Smuts.

He explained that enemy assets held by the Custodian of Enemy Property in South Africa totaled £13,000,000, of which £3,000,000 had already been paid out to Germans domiciled in South Africa. Of the remaining £10,000,000, £1,000,000 would be temporarily employed applied in satisfaction of South African claims on Germans for debts or for property in Germany sequestered by that Government.

On the balance of £9,000,000 the Government of South Africa has decided to pay interest at 4% raising the total to £10,000,000, which will then be held by South Africa as a loan from the German owners for a term of thirty years, the Government paying owners 4% interest.

Premier Smuts added that the Government did not purpose to pay this money to the Reparation Commission, which would practically mean confiscation. As there was no guarantee that if the money was sent to Germany it would ever reach the proper owners, he said, it had been decided to take it over as stated, namely, as a loan.

BOND ISSUE AUTHORIZED BY CHINA'S FINANCE BOARD.

A copyright cablegram to the "Brooklyn Eagle" and "Philadelphia Public Ledger" received from Pekin Sept. 17 said:

The Board of Finance has authorized an issue of bonds for \$60,000,000 to retire from circulation the depreciated Pekin notes from banks in China and in circulation which have fluctuated from \$40 to \$80 since the moratorium in May 1916, because of the depletion in the banks' cash reserves owing to the Yuan Shi Kai monarchy movement.

OFFERING OF SWISS GOVERNMENT 6% TREASURY NOTES.

The Shawmut Corporation of Boston (affiliated with the National Shawmut Bank of Boston) and A. Iselin & Co. issued a circular under date of Sept. 15, announcing an offering of a new issue of Swiss Government 6% Treasury Notes (internal loan), dated Sept. 5 1920 and maturing in three and five years—Sept. 5 1923 and 1925, respectively. The notes are issued in denominations of 500, 1,000, 5,000 and 10,000 francs. The circular says:

Principal and semi-annual interest payable in Swiss francs without deduction for any Swiss taxes, at the offices of all the banks and postoffices in Switzerland. Payable also at the offices of the undersigned at the prevailing rate of exchange, free of commission.

These treasury notes are issued for public subscription this month in Switzerland for the purpose of financing the government purchases of food-stuffs.

Selling price, par plus accrued interest from Sept. 5, in Swiss francs, in the United States at the daily rate of exchange for cable transfers on Zurich, as fixed by the undersigned, to-day [Sept. 15], \$165 for each 1,000 francs.

Temporary receipts will be issued, calling for delivery of definite notes, when, as and if issued and received.

ARGENTINE COMMITTEE URGES REPEAL OF GOLD RESTRICTIONS.

A press cablegram from Buenos Aires, Argentina, September 16, says:

The special committee appointed by the Chamber of Deputies to study the questions of exchange and the exportation of gold, reported to-day recommending the repeal of the law against gold leaving the country. It also recommended authorization for the Banco de la Nacion to withdraw from the "Caja de Conversion," where the gold reserve is deposited, 64,000,000 pesos in gold, which amount could be exported. According to this plan, with the exception of the sum stated, only gold held by the banks could be exported.

It is forecast in political circles that the report probably will be adopted, with the result, it is believed, of an improvement in the exchange situation and consequent relief for North American business, which has been seriously affected by the cheapness of Argentine money.

ARGENTINE EXCHANGE AND CONDITIONS IN THAT COUNTRY.

The "Wall Street Journal," in its issue of Sept. 15, had the following to say with reference to the anomalous state of things at present existing in that country:

Gold in the amount of 6,651,760 marks, about \$1,500,000 has been received by the Anglo-South American Bank which was shipped from Buenos Aires on Board the S. S. Vauban. Being German gold, it attracted considerable attention. Officials of the New York branch of the bank refuse to state for whose account this gold has been received, but it is understood to be for account of their Buenos Aires branch. It was turned over to the Assay Office. It is believed the consignment has been induced by the recent decline in Argentine exchange, which has fallen to \$.8310 per peso, the lowest figure ever recorded. Heretofore Argentina has generally received gold from U. S. and it has been on a rare occasion that gold has moved from Buenos Aires to New York.

Exchange on Buenos Aires declined to \$.8310, the lowest figure ever touched for pesos. Once before it approached that figure, but quickly rebounded on comparatively small purchases. Regarding this weakness a prominent banker who has close connection in the Argentine, said: "Trade conditions in that country are almost chaotic. Exports from Buenos Aires have almost completely stopped, owing to the strike of the dockmen. It seems peculiar that just what Argentina has to export we are not in the market for, and those commodities which we could use cannot be exported. Stevedores have gone on a strike and what little goods that are being exported are loaded on ships by the clerical help of export firms."

I cannot confirm the report that the Argentine Government has authorized the release of \$23,000,000 held at Washington for the account of their Embassy. However, while the release of the previous metal would undoubtedly have the effect of improving the exchange rate, I doubt whether the improvement would be any more than temporary. What is needed most is increased exports and when this will take place is largely problematical.

It will be recalled that on the drop in the prices of wool, skins and hides—not so long ago, exports of these commodities practically stopped. Cost of production had been greater than the prevailing price after the decline, so that exporters chose to hold their goods rather than to dispose of them at a big loss. Prices have improved very little and those goods are still on the shelves of the Argentine merchants.

Wheat is one of the principal exports of that country. Price of flour has advanced so rapidly in Buenos Aires, that the Government, fearing trouble from the workingman, has put an embargo on the further exportation of wheat. Considering the decreased exports of wool, hides, skins and wheat it can readily be seen that Argentina's exports at present are comparatively negligible.

It is true that she had huge favorable trade balances during the war. With the proceeds of these balances she retired a large portion of her foreign debt. What has become of the remainder is still somewhat of a mystery, but it is apparent she has very little of the previous metal to export.

Every day we have a number of bills returned from our Argentine office, the drawees having refused to pay for the goods. This is due in part to the high cost of New York exchange. It has been said in some quarters that in many cases American exporters have failed to live up to contracts made with Argentine merchants, when they were able to resell goods ordered, at a higher price. Buenos Aires merchants feel that the course which they are taking is justified. I believe it is unwise for an America to make any contracts with Argentine people at the present time.

When conditions will improve it is difficult to say. It will depend partly on how quickly our market for wool, hides and skins picks up, and partly on how soon labor troubles will be adjusted. I do not expect any marked improvement for probably two months, and it would not surprise me to see no improvement for nearly six months.

SUPERVISION OF ALL BANKS IN BRAZIL.

The receipt is announced in Washington of a cablegram from Ambassador Morgan at Rio de Janeiro, under date of September 11, stating that the Bank Comptroller, by order of the Minister of Finance, has issued the following circular to all banks in Brazil, on account of the recent unfavorable conditions of foreign exchange, quotations on September 9 being 5 milreis 720 reis to the United States dollar:

In accordance with decree No. 1811, of July 19, the strict observance of the provisions thereof is advised, no selling or buying operation of exchange to be effected without the previous authorization of this office, by demanding production of the documents considered indispensable for the proof of legitimate business. In case of offense, article 2 of said decree provides as a penalty the seizure of the values in question and a fine of 50% of the sums.

You are requested, when called upon to do so, to supply the inspector with all details connected with money-exchange operations, as well as to produce the books and documents of your office for examination; also to prove that the bank's capital has been paid up according to law, and that you are strictly obeying the provisions to operate, in order to facilitate the general supervision of the banks by this office, according to the provisions of the Brazilian laws, and especially of the decrees of Aug. 15 1891, and Feb. 5 1892, numbered respectively, 493 and 727.

EFFORTS OF AMERICAN EXPORTERS AND IMPORTERS ASSOCIATION TO SECURE FREE FILING TIME ON CABLEGRAMS.

The American Exporters & Importers Association had the following to say under date of Sept. 13 regarding its efforts to have cable companies record free, the filing time on cablegrams:

The American Exporters & Importers Association, whose membership includes most of the important export houses and banks of New York interested in foreign trade, has been working for some time to have cable companies record the filing time on cablegrams as a free service.

Although this necessary information is given free of charge in all European countries, the All America Cables, Inc., is the only company showing filing time on all cablegrams delivered in the United States. Therefore our exporters and importers are forced to incorporate and pay for the filing time in their messages sent by other cable companies. Thus they are out of pocket thousands of dollars for service costing their foreign competitors nothing and are handicapped in their trading to that extent.

The American Exporters & Importers Association is giving the "showing-the-filing-time" service of the All America Cables wide publicity among its members and reports much enthusiasm for its further extension.

SALVADOR DECLINES TO DECLARE MORATORIUM ASKED FOR BY AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS.

According to press advices from San Salvador, Sept. 17, the Government of Salvador has refused to accede to the request of a group of agricultural interests to establish a moratorium law. The decision, it is stated, was reached after consultation with representatives of commercial interests, the industries and the banks, the refusal to adopt such a measure having been based on the fact, it is understood, that the financial situation was considered good and confidence was felt in the condition of the banks. In our issue of July 3, page 21, we referred to the fact that the Moratorium, which had been in effect since the world war, had been terminated on June 28.

HUNGARIAN BANKER ON EUROPE'S "PAPER MONEY CARNIVAL."

The Chicago "Evening Post" of Sept. 10 printed the following (delayed) advices from Budapest Aug. 21 as to the "paper money carnival" in Europe, in which it is observed among other things that the United States "cannot reconstruct Europe by loans":

"The peoples of Europe are in a dark, deep pit and they must work themselves out of it," says Roland Hegedus, bank director and lecturer at the Budapest university.

"The United States is richer than she knows, but she cannot reconstruct Europe by loans. All the nations of Europe are beset with a succession of political and economic problems that are well-nigh unsolvable.

Russia Holds Key.

"Russia is the key to the situation, and until some sort of consistent government is established there we can hope for little here. What the United States can do, perhaps, is to work to secure free trade among these central European countries. None of us can do any business with tariff frontiers.

"I believe the paper money situation will force a revision of the peace treaties. All these little nations are living from hand to mouth, printing money to keep going. Poland is hardly a year old, and already she has a national debt of 130,000,000,000 marks, with a 40,000,000,000 deficit. The same is more or less true of Czechoslovakia, of Hungary and of all of us. The armies are eating up half our incomes, yet each nation is afraid to disarm because of possible attacks from neighbors.

Barred from Trade.

"With this paper-money carnival, central Europe cannot trade with countries having better moneys, such as Spain, Holland and Switzerland. This situation also applies to Italy and France.

"Meanwhile, our civilization is going by the board. Because of the exchange, our universities and reading people cannot afford to subscribe for science or law publications of England or the United States.

"For the same reason our educated, but impoverished classes, cannot go abroad to find work, provided they could secure passports.

"These conditions are not altogether the result of a big war, but of a bad peace, which has fallen harder on Hungary than any other country. God made her the centre of a geographical unit and the peace frontiers ruin not only new Hungary, but the parts taken away."

RELEASE OF AMERICAN SHIP BY ITALY CONDITIONAL ON LOAN.

A London cablegram Sept. 12 to the daily papers is authority for the following:

A Fiume dispatch received in Rome says Gabriele d'Annunzio has informed the Italian Government that he will release the American steamer Cogne on condition that a loan of 200,000,000 lire is granted to Fiume, says a dispatch to the Central News from Rome.

The Cogne, bound for Buenos Ayres, was captured recently by d'Annunzio's officers at Catania and taken to Fiume. It was said the vessel had a cargo valued at 40,000,000 lire, comprising Swiss and Italian shipments destined for Buenos Ayres.

REPORTS OF PROPOSED LOAN FOR PALESTINE.

A London cablegram of Sept. 15, credited to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, says:

Plans are being formulated for the raising of a State loan of £2,500,000 for Palestine, according to authoritative sources here. The purpose of the loan is to guarantee an income for Palestine, and the entire amount is first to be absorbed by Jewish bankers here and in New York, who in turn will offer it for public subscription.

It is not made clear whether the loan will be raised through the British Government or direct by the Palestine administration.

AMERICANS HOLDING TAXABLE PROPERTY IN ITALY SUBJECT TO ITALY'S CAPITAL TAX.

Through the Chamber of Commerce of the United States the Italian Embassy calls the attention of American investors and business men to the law imposing a capital tax that requires immediate returns. The Embassy announcement says

In accordance with the Italian Law of April 22 1920, making provisions for a tax on patrimony all persons, regardless of their nationality or residence, possessing taxable property in Italy, including Italian taxable securities

wherever held, are required to declare such property when its value on the 1st of January 1920 was not less than fifty thousand lire.

Property acquired or capital invested or deposited in Italy after Jan. 1 1920 is exempt from the tax in question which is intended to be levied on the wealth in existence on Dec. 31 1919, on which date for fiscal purposes the period of the war was considered as closed.

Persons in the United States are required to make such declaration not later than Aug. 31 1920, at the local Italian Consular Office where all desired information on the subject may be obtained.

Failure to make such declaration within the stated time will result in a fine.

Reference to Italy's tax levy on capital acquired during the war was referred to in our issue of July 17, page 249.

JUGO-SLAV DECREE FORBIDS THE OPENING OF CREDITS ABROAD.

"Commerce Reports" published by the Department of Commerce at Washington, of Sept. 15, announces the receipt of the following advices from Consul K. S. Patton, at Belgrade, under date of Aug. 20 1920:

With a view to protecting the dinar exchange, the Ministry of Finance has issued the following decree under date of Aug. 10 1920:

"No bank nor enterprise can open a credit abroad without previously obtaining the authorization of the Minister of Finance. Infraction of this decision will be punished by a heavy fine or by the dismissal of the functionary involved."

T. W. LAMONT ON TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE FAR EAST.—THE CHINESE CONSORTIUM.

The Far East was referred to by Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan & Co., in an address delivered at the Hotel Pennsylvania on Sept. 15, as "a region which, if properly developed and encouraged by American business men and investors, bids fair for the long future to be the greatest foreign outlet in the world for American manufacture and enterprise." Mr. Lamont's remarks were addressed to the American Manufacturers Export Association, and he mentioned as the first step toward the building up by them of American trade in the Far East the securing of an adequate understanding of those various peoples over there." Mr. Lamont said he never imagined until he went there, "a region calling for the products of American industry so strongly as China will call in the next twenty years." He added:

A great system of railways must be built over there, and its inception should not be long delayed. Those railways will require a fair share of American steel, of American bridges, American equipment. The country calls for electrical equipment,—for all the multitudinous forms of farming implements required in that intensely agricultural land, now cultivated with the rude implements of the long ago. China will demand cotton mill machinery on a great scale, and machine-making tools. Then it will require quantities of mining machinery both for the baser and the precious metals. Finally, those four hundred millions of kindly, honest and highly intelligent people will require, on a prodigious scale, the many domestic appurtenances that American ingenuity has evolved. Don't forget, too, that to keep four hundred million people supplied with moving picture shows will be quite a task even for Americans!

Mr. Lamont's remarks on China also included a reference to the new Consortium, what he had to say with respect thereto being appended herewith.

Gradually the European nations have come to realize that the policy of the warship and of "grab" is outworn, and that they could best serve the interests of their own nationals, to say nothing of China's, by stopping the race for concessions and by adopting plans of co-operation.

International Effort Through the Consortium.

The clearest and most recent tangible evidence of all this is in the formation of the New Consortium for the assistance of China. It was to endeavor to complete this new plan of co-operative effort for China that I was asked to visit the Far East last winter. You may recollect that, acting upon the initiative of the American Government, the Governments of Great Britain, France and Japan agreed to encourage the formation of strong banking groups in each of the four countries; these groups to act together as a Consortium (literally a consorting together) in affording financial assistance to China in the upbuilding of her great public enterprises, such for example as her railroads; the establishment of which would make a firmer economic basis in China for the private initiative of manufacturers and merchants like yourselves. The plan looked to be almost completed when a serious hitch arose, in that Japan declared that the Chinese provinces of Manchuria and Mongolia should be reserved from the operations of the Consortium. Japan's declaration was not acceptable to either the banking groups in America, England and France, nor to the three Governments. Obviously any such reservations were almost tantamount to slamming shut that open door of John Hay's. Such reservations as to certain regions meant the re-establishment of the old and pernicious spheres of influence—the relic of outworn diplomacy. So, to speak in the personal vein, I was asked by the American, British and French Banking Groups to go out and try to untie that knot. After a long and somewhat arduous negotiation, we came to terms, and the Japanese with great wisdom and foresight withdrew those reservations. The New Consortium will thus be formed on the American basis of a free and full partnership, and the results should be of permanent advantage, both in stabilizing economic and financial conditions in China, and in making that a more attractive field for American trade and investment.

Growth of National Feeling in China.

In explaining to you this important development of the New Consortium for China (the American Banking Group not being a New York affair but being made up of institutions from every part of the United States), I have pointed out one factor—the Consortium—calculated in time to make China a fine and stable market for your manufactures. The other factor lies in the development of the Chinese people themselves. I said to you that for centuries China had been living in the past. Frequently she was likened to a slumbering giant. But now that giant is awaking from the Rip Van Winkle slumber that has run for nearer twenty centuries than twenty years. The giant is rubbing his eyes and opening them to new visions. There is a great growth of National feeling now going on in China, a feeling that, if

we Americans encourage and assist it, is bound to liberalize, to modernize China. Among the universities there is close study of Government and economics. Chinese students, who are the aptest of any I have met in the whole world, are scattering throughout their country and spreading the gospel of better government, better living.

We must not be misled by press reports of disorder and factional fighting in China. It is true that there is lack of organization, that the Central Government is not strong. But it is less than ten years since China shook herself free from the thrall of an ancient and absolute monarchy. She cannot be expected to settle down into the grounded ways of a modern republic without occasional setbacks. The point to remember is that she is making steady progress. Her cabinet is better and stronger to-day than it was when I left Peking on the first of May. China, in her march towards stable self government, has to traverse valleys as well as hills before she reaches the heights whence she can view the promised land of genuine stability.

As to conditions in Siberia and Japan, Mr. Lamont said in part:

The people of Siberia are described as a hardy, upstanding race of innate sobriety and integrity. The Russian Soviets have to be sure gained a foothold there, but as our most excellent Ambassador to Japan, Roland S. Morris (who went far into Siberia on two important war missions) told me, the simon-pure brand of Bolshevism has never flourished in Siberia. There has never been a red terror there of the Moscow variety. The people are already landholders. If ever peace comes to Russia—as come it must some day—then Siberia will find itself. And for that day American manufacturers should be prepared. Don't forget too that England regards close trade intercourse between America and Siberia as natural and inevitable. England realizes that the United States are particularly well adapted to furnish to Siberia the kind of manufactures that Siberia requires. In saying all this to you, I am telling you nothing new. I am simply emphasizing some of the points that impressed me in the Far East.

So much then for China and Siberia! What of Japan? It is difficult to discuss the future trade and financial relations of the United States and Japan without considering the political relations. We are hearing a great deal of Japan these days, some of it good and some of it bad—some of it true, much untrue. Scores of people have asked me since my return: What is the real Japan? And I find a tendency on the part of most people to be either intensely pro- or intensely anti-Japanese. Now the truth is that no one can meet the Japanese upon intimate terms and leave them unmoved by admiration and friendship. At the same time no one studying their conditions can fail to detect certain serious defects in their governmental and political institutions.

The Japanese Man of Business.

As for the charge that Japanese men of business are sharp and untrustworthy, "forget it!" It is not so. The Japanese business men are not as frank as we are. They want to be, but don't know how. For generations they have been taught reserve. It is bred in the bone and in the flesh. But I want no honest person to deal with than the Japanese business man. As far as he alone is concerned, you can well afford to trust him and to enter into important relations with him. But Japan is commercially to-day under a handicap which I should hardly attempt to analyze if it had not been done for me by the Japanese themselves. This handicap is the policy of the so-called Military Party which, of recent years, has been so strong as almost to constitute an actual super-government. There are two schools of thought in Japan and the cleavage is a deep one. In general the men of affairs—manufacturers, great merchants and bankers—are liberal in their ideas. They believe, as we do here in America, that a nation's development, to be sound and sure, must be along lines of peaceful trade and the cultivation of good will.

The Policies of the Militarists.

The other party in Japan, the Militarists, have a different philosophy. They might not admit it, but if you study their actions you will realize that they still think the world is ruled by force rather than by ideas. They believe in a mighty army and navy. They are sincerely convinced that Japan's safety and future lie in having a dominating influence on the Continent of Asia. They have taken Korea and made it a part of Japan, incidentally improving its material condition distinctly. They hold Port Arthur. They have seized Shantung and have Japanized it far more completely than it was ever Teutonized during the years that Germany held it. They have seized Vladivostok on the Siberian coast; they control the mouth of the Amur River and they have recently, as you know, occupied the Russian half of the island of Saghalien. In reciting this I am not criticizing; I am merely summarizing what the newspapers have told us hundreds of times.

Now the Japanese Military party have, as I have said, pursued this policy on the theory that in these measures lay the only sound defence of her National safety that Japan could devise. They sincerely feel that to make a food supply certain for their growing population domination of a part of Asia is necessary: ordinary trading is not secure enough. This is a political philosophy which is perfectly understandable. But in the pursuance of its policy, according to the liberals in Japan, this Military Party seems to have overlooked certain economic considerations. Their efforts in China, their expeditions to Siberia have been enormously expensive. Every year they have cost hundreds of millions of yen. And the increase of the navy and the maintenance of the army are a serious burden upon the people of Japan. Her National debt is inconsiderable, but her taxes are heavy and an extraordinary proportion of her budget is for the military establishment. Japan is not a rich country in the sense that Great Britain or America or France is rich; that is to say, she is lacking in natural resources, coal, oil, iron ore, &c. And her people cannot afford these heavy outlays unless they bring in compensating dividends.

They do not. On the contrary they seem to bring liabilities. For instance, because of Japan's "21 Demands" served on China in 1918, and because of her action as to Shantung, there has been an intense boycott of Japanese goods throughout China. Japan has lost—at any rate, for the moment—a part of her most valuable foreign trade. As one of her leading Government officials said to me, in Far Western slang: "We are in terribly Dutch in China. By becoming partners in the New Consortium with Americans, who are popular in China, we hope now to fare somewhat better."

American Co-operation with Japan.

Meanwhile Japan would welcome American capital on a large scale to develop her own industries. She has a limited supply of coal and is anxious to develop her water powers on a grand scale. She feels sorely the need of building good roads and of constructing new trolley lines. The United States will, as time goes on, be in a position to supply a good part of this demand. You manufacturers can supply much of the machinery and equipment that are needed. Our investment community can furnish much of the capital. But at the present time the apparent policy of Japan's Military party will prevent any such American co-operation on a grand scale. We shall continue to buy Japan's silks and trade with her along or-

dinary lines, but we shall hardly be encouraged to accept her invitation to co-operate actively in the development of her enterprises until we feel more assured that her Military party is not going to bring her into additional financial distress.

In his concluding remarks Mr. Lamont said:

To you, more than to most men, is given the chance to perform a great work in the Far East. The private citizen, with the will to help, can accomplish something. But you, because of the organization of your great manufacturing establishments, because of the organization of this very export association, can accomplish much. It is your business to carry on your enterprises at a profit for your shareholders; an end that ought not to be difficult with the many commercial advantages which Americans possess to-day. But over and above all that, you have another concern—a concern that, in the enlightened world of business as it exists in America to-day, your operations should be carried on in a spirit of generous tolerance, so as to enhance throughout the world the name of America for fair and constructive methods of enterprise. You indeed are among those to whom the gods have granted the opportunity to make "America First"—first not in her own mere safety or freedom from the troubles of a worn world, but first, in the eyes of the world, because of her friendliness and helpfulness to the other nations of the earth.

**SECRETARY OF STATE COLBY ON POSITION OF U. S.
TOWARD HAYTI—NATIONAL CITY BANK'S
POSITION.**

A statement dealing with the position of the United States towards Hayti, was issued at Washington on Sept. 20, by Secretary of State Colby who was moved to making the explanation by reason of criticisms of this Government's policy toward the Haitian Government, one of the criticisms in question having come from the Republican Presidential candidate, Senator W. G. Harding, who in a speech at Marion, Ohio, on Sept. 17, alleged that "thousands of native Haitians have been killed by American Marines, and that many of our own gallant men have sacrificed their lives at the behest of an Executive Department in order to establish laws . . . to secure a vote in the League."

Another report which has crept into the papers during the past week, and which Secretary Colby has taken cognizance of is one alleging that interests associated with the National City Bank of New York had obtained control of all the resources of Hayti, and in its proceedings had the support of representatives of the United States Government.

Secretary Colby, in answering these allegations says among other things, "no assistance or support has been given the National City Bank in Hayti other than that which would be extended to any first class American bank in any foreign country;" he also says, "the National City Bank does not control, directly or indirectly, the customs collections, nor is it the financial arbiter of Hayti. It exercises no control of loans, exchange rates or commercial contractions, as has been charged." The following is Secretary Colby's statement:

The position of the United States with relation to Hayti should not be misunderstood, and it certainly should not be misrepresented, even under the temptations that a political campaign presents to irresponsible utterance and conscious unveracity.

This country is engaged in a task which has only a benevolent purpose. It is a task which was undertaken for the benefit of the Haitian people and with their acquiescence the task was defined in a treaty entered into by the two countries. The work which the United States undertook to do is nearing completion and upon its completion this Government hopes to withdraw and leave the administration of the island to the unaided efforts of the Haitian people.

As is well known, for many years prior to 1915, the island of Haiti was the scene of many revolutions and chronic disorder. The revolutions were sometimes accompanied by wholesale massacres and fatalities. Public authority had broken down and the people in the rural districts were frequently reduced to starvation. The culmination of those conditions came with the murder of President Villbrun Guillaume Sam, who was dragged by a mob from the French legation where he had taken refuge. This gave affront to the rights of the French Government and resulted in the landing of French troops in Port au Prince.

At this time, Haiti's European creditors were pressing for payment of the foreign debts of Haiti and the fear was frequently entertained that murder of the Haitian President would prompt an aggressive problem on the part of some European governments which would not only challenge the Monroe Doctrine but arraign the United States for a failure to perform duties which it had expressly avowed as a part of the Monroe Doctrine. These duties have nowhere found more explicit statement than in the addresses and messages of the late President Roosevelt. In an address delivered by him in August 1915, he said:

"Inasmuch by the Monroe Doctrine we prevent other nations from interfering on this side of the water we should, ourselves, in good faith, help our sister republics upward in peace and order."

In the performance of this duty, and with one thought but to help the Haitian people until order could be restored on the island, the United States with full assent of public opinion in this country and of Haiti occupied the City of Port au Prince on Sept. 3 1915. Proclamation of martial law was made by Admiral Caperton, commanding officer of the forces of the United States in Haiti and Haitian waters. It was expressly stated that no interference was contemplated or would be suffered with the proceedings of the Constitutional Government and Congress of Haiti, or with the administration of justice in the courts of law which did not affect the military operations or the authorities of the United States Government. All municipal and civil employes were requested to continue in their vocations without change and the express pledge was made by the military authorities not to interfere with the functions of the civil administration or with the courts.

A few days thereafter a convention was signed by the two Governments expressing the mutual desires of both countries to strengthen the amity between them by measures for the common advantage. The United

States obligated itself to assist Hayti in three specific ways; to co-operate with the Haitian Government in placing the revenues and finances of Hayti on a stable basis; to help the Haitian Government to maintain tranquillity throughout the republic; and to contribute in other ways to advance the prosperity of the republic and welfare of its people.

The United States has confined its energies entirely to the announced purposes of its occupation and as a result thereof complete tranquillity exists throughout the republic. The Haitian revenues are greatly improved and much progress has been made in road construction, port works, establishment of telegraphs, &c.

These results have been brought about by Americans appointed under the provisions of the treaty, and from every quarter in Hayti, with the exception of a few centres of selfish and interested agitation, credit and gratitude are freely manifested and express to this Government.

The course of this country has been moderate and dictated only by the desire to meet its duties and in not any degree to go beyond them. Had less been done, this country would have been guilty of a dereliction of duty and might have been exposed to sound criticism.

As to assertions that have appeared in the press recently to the effect that the National City Bank of New York has received improper support from this Government in the matter of its Haytian Branch, the following are the facts:

1. No assistance or support has been given the National City Bank in Hayti other than that which would be extended to any first-class American bank in any foreign country.

2. Far from encouraging the National City Bank in obtaining monopolistic privileges in connection with its interests in Hayti, the department has, so far as it has had an opportunity to exert an influence, used it toward preventing the National City Bank from enjoying monopolistic privileges. The National City Bank owned 50% of the stock of the Banque National de la Republic d'Hayti and last year when the approval of the department was sought to the purchase by the National City Bank of a still larger interest in the French bank, the approval of this Government was only given after the National City Bank had agreed to certain important modifications in the charter of the Banque National de la Republic d'Hayti, insisted upon by the Department of State and all of which were designed in the interests of the Haytian people, to eliminate the monopolistic features of the original concession granted by Hayti.

3. The National City Bank does not control, directly or indirectly, the customs collections, nor is it the financial arbiter of Hayti. It exercises no control of loans, exchange rates or commercial contractions, as has been charged.

The following likewise bearing on the financial affairs of Hayti, appeared as a special dispatch from Washington Sept. 22 in the New York "Evening Post" of that date.

Secretary Colby justifies the action of the Department of State in calling upon the Haytian Government to consent to restricting the importation or exportation of non-Haytian money except as regulated by John McElhenney, American financial adviser to the Haytian Government. To enforce consent by the Government of the negro republic the financial adviser, acting upon the instruction of the American Minister in Hayti, has refused to pay the salaries of the Haytian President and other officials.

"There is always a considerable quantity of foreign money in circulation in Hayti," said Mr. Colby. "Its regulation is a matter which requires exact technical information and judgment. I have no doubt that the American financial adviser desires control of this exchange problem in the interest of his trusteeship of Haytian funds. It is a subject that must be treated with quite expert capacity."

Haytian Affairs Directed

It appears that in July Mr. McElhenney notified the Haytian Department of Finance that he had instructions from Secretary Colby dated May 20 to inform the Haytian Government that its approval was required to the following measures:

(1) Modification of the bank contract agreed upon by the Department of State and the National City Bank of New York.

(2) Transfer of the National Bank of the Republic of Hayti to a new bank registered under the laws of Hayti to be known as the National Bank of the Republic of Hayti.

(3) Prohibition of importation and exportation of non-Haytian money except that which might be necessary for needs of commerce in opinion of the financial adviser.

Conflicting Interests.

Because the foregoing measures were grouped in the order given the Haytian critics of the American military occupation of Hayti have voiced charges that the third measure was in effect an instrument which would give to the National City Bank lucrative control of foreign exchange. Administration officials here insist that there is no justification for connecting the power sought to be secured for the financial adviser with National City Bank interests.

Some foreign interest in Hayti joined in the opposition to the measures cited above, one being the Panama Railroad and Steamship Line, owned by the United States Government.

As to the withholding of salaries, an Associated Press dispatch from Washington Sept. 20 said:

Withholding the salaries of the President, the Secretaries, State Councilors and Palace Interpreter of Hayti will be continued until the Government of the occupied island adopts a less antagonistic attitude toward the American authorities, the State Department has informed J. Barau, Haytian Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Barau protested against the action of Col. John McElhenney, the American financial adviser, in withholding the salaries of these officials who, the financial adviser contends, apparently are unwilling to carry out certain provisions of the treaty entered into at the time of the occupation of that country by American marines.

According to Mr. Barau, these officials have not received any salaries since June, although other public officers in Hayti have been regularly paid.

ANTONY GIBBS & CO. OF NEW YORK INCORPORATED.

Antony Gibbs & Co. of 61 Broadway, this City, announces the incorporation of their company, the business in future to be conducted under the name of Antony Gibbs & Co., Inc. The capital is \$1,000,000 all paid up. The officers are Louis B. Chandler, President; Mather M. Richardson, Vice-President & Treasurer; and D. F. Cawley, Secretary.

The following are the Directors: James M. Beck, Beck, Crawford & Harris; Louis B. Chandler, President; Lord Cullen of Ashbourne, late Governor of the Bank of Eng-

land; the Hon. Herbert C. Gibbs, partner Antony Gibbs & Sons, London; Seward Prosser, President Bankers Trust Co., New York; Mather M. Richardson, Vice-President & Treasurer.

The above firm was established in New York in 1912 under the name of Antony Gibbs & Co. as a branch of Antony Gibbs & Sons, London, to engage in business as export and import merchants, their principal activities being with Australia, New Zealand, Chile, France and Great Britain.

A history of the parent firm in London, which has been furnished us, gives the following information:

Antony Gibbs, founder of Antony Gibbs & Sons, was born in 1756 and in 1774 was apprenticed to a merchant in Exeter, Devonshire, who was engaged in export business with Spain. In 1778 Antony Gibbs entered into business in Exeter on his own account, directing his attention to the cloth industry of that city. From 1790 to 1807 his mercantile labors were devoted to the export of textiles to Spain and Portugal. In 1808 he founded the London firm, taking into partnership his oldest son, George Henry Gibbs. In 1813 his second son, William Gibbs, was taken into partnership when the style of the firm became Antony Gibbs & Sons. Antony Gibbs died in 1815.

The connection of the firm with the Bank of England has been a close one for many years. Henry Hucks Gibbs, who was created Lord Aldenham in 1896, was a director of the bank from 1853 to 1901, being Governor during the years 1875 to 1877. One of the present partners, Lord Cullen of Ashbourne, a nephew of the first Lord Aldenham, was, as Brien Cokayne, elected a Director of the bank in 1902 and served as Governor during the years 1917 to 1920.

Antony Gibbs & Sons acted as the sole agents during the war, for the purchase of the nitrate requirements of the British and French Governments.

Antony Gibbs established direct dealings with Lima in 1806, and in 1821 opened a branch in Lima and subsequently in other towns in Peru and Ecuador. Their house in Valparaiso was opened in 1826. The firm in 1841 began to interest itself in the export to Europe of guano found on the islands and coasts of Peru and in 1865 the South American branch of the Company, which was known as William Gibbs & Co., entered into the manufacture of nitrate of soda which has since formed a prominent part of this business. In 1881 the name of the firm in Chile was changed to Gibbs & Co., Valparaiso becoming the head office. Gibbs & Co. maintain branches at Iquique, Antofagasta, Mejillones, Santiago, Concepcion, Talcahuano, Temuco, Mulchen, Victoria, Traiguena, Lautaro and Valdivia.

In 1881 Antony Gibbs & Sons acquired the business of Gibbs, Bright & Co., Australia. The firm are largely interested in the import of merchandise, the export of Australian products and are also identified with the great mining and pastoral industries of that Continent. Gibbs, Bright & Co. have offices at Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Brisbane, Newcastle, N.S.W., Fremantle and Port Pirie. The Company act as the agents in Australia for the Commonwealth & Dominion Line and are responsible for the movement of a large proportion of the wool clip of the Commonwealth. Gibbs, Bright & Co. in addition act as managing agents of the Sulphide Corporation of Broken Hill, N.S.W., and also of the Australian Pastoral Co. The latter has a chain of sheep and cattle stations in Queensland and New South Wales.

INCREASE IN DUES OF NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

An amendment to the constitution of the New York Stock Exchange, adopted by the Governing Committee on Wednesday of this week, fixes the dues of members at not exceeding \$1,000 a year. The amount heretofore had been \$300, the dues having been raised to this figure from \$150 per year in March 1919. The preceding year (August 1918) they had been increased from \$100 to \$150. The amendment whereby the dues are raised to \$1,000 will go into effect next Wednesday if not disapproved prior thereto by a majority vote of the entire membership. Under this week's action of the committee, Section 1 of Article XIV will be amended by striking out the words "\$300" in the fourth line and insert in lieu thereof the word "\$1,000," said section as amended to read:

Section 1. The dues payable by a member of the Exchange in each year exclusive of fines and of assessments under Article XVIII of the constitution shall not exceed \$1,000 a year. Said dues shall be payable in semi-annual installments on May 1 and November 1 in each year and the amount of each installment shall be determined by the Governing Committee at least fifteen days before the date on which the same is payable.

In the notice to members regarding the increase in the dues, William H. Remick, President of the Exchange, said:

The subject matter of the enclosed proposed change of the constitution is one which has been approached with considerable reluctance, and approved after long consideration.

The building operation which has been made necessary by the enormous increase in the number of listed stocks and the growth of our business, has developed unlooked-for requirements in the way of expenditures for replacements upon our present building.

The payroll of our institution has of necessity, as in all other institutions, advanced enormously. Supplies of every name and nature have not been laggards, and we find ourselves in need of relief.

The revenue of the Exchange is largely dependent upon the activities of its members. Any increase in the volume of business will decrease the amount of dues required to enable the Governing Committee to keep well within the limit which has been fixed as the maximum in the proposed change of the constitution.

The Governing Committee and its sub-committees will continue to make every effort to keep the expenditures of the Exchange at the lowest possible level without interfering with its efficient operation.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE COMMISSIONS ON VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN TRANSACTIONS.

The Committee on Commissions of the New York Stock Exchange on Sept. 22 issued the following notice regarding commissions on Victory Liberty Loan transactions:

New York, Sept. 22 1920.

The Committee on Commissions determines that the commission on Victory Liberty Loan 3½% and 4½% Series Convertible Gold notes due 1922-23, is as follows:

Rates to Non-Members, &c.—Not less than \$6.25 per \$10,000 par value.

Rates to Members—Give-ups.—Not less than \$2 per \$10,000 par value.

Rates to Members—Clearance Business.—Not less than \$3.125 per \$10,000 par value.

HARRISON S. MARTIN, Assistant Secretary.

W. P. G. HARDING OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON EFFORTS TO CURTAIL CREDIT EXPANSION.

In detailing "the functions and policies of the Federal Reserve Board," W. P. G. Harding, Governor of the Board, in an address before the Chamber of Commerce of Cleveland on September 16, declared that "the Federal Reserve system is now passing through a crucial stage of its existence." Observing that "the experience of the past four years has demonstrated the expansive power of the Federal Reserve system," but that "an elastic system of Federal Reserve Bank credit and note issue implies capacity to control and power to curtail as well as to expand," he added that "the ability of the system to check undue expansion and to induce normal and healthy liquidation is still on trial." In the course of his remarks he also noted that "the test of the functioning of a credit system must be found in what it does to promote the production and distribution of goods"; "too rapid or too drastic deflation," he added, "would defeat the very purpose of a well-regulated credit system by its unsettling effect upon productive industry. On the other hand, over-production at high cost on expanded credit would be a grave menace." The Board believes, he said, "that this equilibrium can be restored only by speeding up the processes of production, by the orderly distribution of goods, by the avoidance of excessive consumption and by the increased accumulation of savings."

The efforts of the Board to curtail expansion were dealt with at length by Mr. Harding. Since last Spring he said there had been "a marked improvement in the credit situation," . . . due to "the better character and greater liquidity of bank credits rather than to any actual decrease in the volume of credit." As a matter of fact, he pointed out, "the expansion in loans and currency during the past twelve months has been greater than for any like period in the history of the country, with the single exception of the period between September 1917 and September 1918, when we were in the midst of the war." As a direct result of the discount policy of the Federal Reserve Bank, Mr. Harding said, "there has been a very large decrease in the amount of speculative and non-essential loans, and it is believed that the increase in the loan account of these reporting member banks has been due largely to a response to legitimate agricultural, commercial and industrial requirements." Mr. Harding, in his further comments, stated that "as non-member banks cannot rediscount with Federal Reserve Banks and as by far the larger part of the loans of member banks are made out of their own resources, it is evident that the total of bank accommodations to agriculture and livestock interests are far greater than the amounts rediscounted at the Federal Reserve banks. As a majority of these loans are seasonal in their character, it is evident also that their liquidation will do more than any other single factor towards strengthening the banking position." Mr. Harding expressed himself as "a firm believer in gradual and orderly methods of marketing our great agricultural staples." Agriculture is the most important of all industries, he declared, "for upon its fruits depend the lives of those engaged in all other industries." The gradual and orderly marketing of our great staple crops is, he contend, "a matter of importance both to producers and consumers. The dumping upon the market within a short period of time of a large part of a crop, consumption of which extends throughout the year, means not only a loss to the producers, often to those who can least afford it, but involves also a great strain upon our transportation facilities and upon the banks in providing the funds necessary for large purchases in advance of actual requirements for consumption." What is needed, Mr. Harding said, "is an open market in which the law of supply and demand is given free play, and in which buyer and seller may meet on equal terms. Theoretically, at least, it is possible, if adequate warehousing facilities are provided, for the farmer to obtain the benefit of the average price for the year without any increase in cost to the consumer and with lessened strain upon transportation lines and banks by distributing the marketing process over a reasonable period." In his

concluding remarks he said, "the Federal Reserve system is still confronted with conditions more or less abnormal, but we have passed through the period of exhilaration or intoxication which characterized American business activities several months ago, and, notwithstanding the gloomy predictions which were frequently made at that time, the transition to a more normal basis is proceeding quietly and without alarming features. Credit which is required for seasonal needs is being granted, and business generally is looking forward to a Fall and Winter of at least average activity." Mr. Harding's address is given in large part here-with:

The enactment of the Federal Reserve law and of its various amendments and the operations of the Federal Reserve banks have brought about changes in our banking structure hardly less marked than the economic changes that have been caused by the world war. Cash in vault and balances with banks other than the Federal Reserve banks no longer count as lawful reserve for the member banks of the Federal Reserve system—their entire reserve must now be carried with the Federal Reserve banks. The lending power of the member banks has been greatly increased because of the substantial reduction, in more than 50%, in the reserve they are required to carry and because of the phenomenal growth in their deposits, without taking into account the greatly extended rediscount facilities afforded them by the Federal Reserve banks and the power given them in the Federal Reserve Act to lend their credit by accepting drafts drawn upon them in domestic transactions involving the shipment of goods and in transactions growing out of importations and exportations. No one has denied that our old banking system, with the rigidity of its currency and with the limitations upon its rediscount facilities, would have collapsed under the strain which would have been imposed upon it by war conditions. Even had there been no war, the old system would have been unable to respond to the business requirements of the present day.

The Federal Reserve banks, as the custodians of the ultimate banking reserves of the country, as the mainstay of the acceptance market, as the agencies of last resort in the matter of rediscounts, and as the media through which so large and important a part of the currency is issued, must always be kept in an absolutely sound and strong position. Their strength must be measured by the liquidity and intrinsic value of their invested assets, which include rediscounts for member banks, as well as by the proportion of gold and lawful money to their liabilities. A gold reserve is essential to a sound financial system. This percentage of reserve ought normally to be considerably higher than the minimum required by law, in order to provide ample margin for meeting unusually large seasonal requirements and unexpected emergencies, but even though the reserve should fall temporarily below legal requirements, there would be no occasion for uneasiness provided the assets of the banks are of the self-liquidating character which would admit of the restoration of the reserve within a reasonable time. It would be folly to inflict serious injury upon agriculture, commerce, and industry merely for the sake of maintaining an arbitrary minimum reserve, but it would be still more consummate folly to treat a low reserve position, brought about by an emergency, as a normal base from which future emergencies are to be met.

The average reserve now required of all national banks is about 8% of their net deposits. As this reserve must be carried with the Federal Reserve Bank, it will amount to 8% in terms of gold and lawful money, only when the reserve of the Federal Reserve Bank is 100% of its liabilities, and it is reduced pari passu as the reserve of the Federal Reserve Bank declines. There are some who believe that the minimum reserve required by law may be lightly infringed upon, for they say "what is a reserve for, if it is not to use." Some who hold these views are fond of referring to the case of a hospital where all the beds are occupied except a few which are held in reserve. The ambulance brings in a badly injured man, who is denied admission upon the ground that all the beds are full. The ambulance surgeon points to two or three unoccupied beds and is met with the response, "Those are reserve beds and cannot be used." Certainly any hospital under sane management would use those beds in case of real emergency, but would not permit their use by strangers of sound and healthy appearance who might have been unable to obtain hotel accommodations, or by husky hoboes who find park benches too hard for comfort, nor would a hospital with its capacity taxed to the limit encourage convalescent patients to remain a day longer than necessary.

The law fixes the minimum reserve to be carried by Federal Reserve banks against their note issues at 40%, and against their member banks' deposits at 35%. It permits temporary suspension by the Federal Reserve Board of these minimum reserves under certain graduated penalties, but in order to illustrate the danger of regarding the legal minimum as the normal base from which to operate, I would like you to consider what would be the outcome if we had to meet another emergency such as war, with Federal Reserve Bank reserves at their present level. When a state of war was declared on April 6 1917, the combined reserves against deposits and note issues of all Federal Reserve banks averaged 84.7%. Due to this condition the United States was able to meet all financial obligations incurred without any impairment of its own ability or of that of the banks to redeem currency in gold, thus preserving the parity of all forms of money in circulation. This was an achievement impossible of accomplishment during the Civil War, when current prices were quoted in terms of irredeemable paper money, which was not brought back to a parity with gold until fourteen years after the close of the war.

Early in January 1919, shortly after the armistice, the combined reserve of the Federal Reserve banks was 51.3%, showing a diminution of 33.4% from the date of our country's entry into the war. The gold embargo was removed in June 1919, when large amounts of gold held for foreign account were released. Even after this the reserves stood at 51% on Sept. 26, after which date they showed a steady and continuous decline to 44.8% at the close of the year.

During the last six months of the year 1919, tendencies towards unrestrained extravagance and abuse of credit were manifest all over the country. It became evident that the rediscount facilities of the Federal Reserve banks were being used too freely and that unless corrective measures were applied the situation would become exceedingly dangerous. The rediscount rates of the Federal Reserve banks were much below the market rates for money, thus affording member banks an opportunity for profit in their rediscount transactions, and making it exceedingly difficult to keep in check borrowing demands made upon them. The Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks, while recognizing the necessity of holding these dangerous tendencies in check by means of a reasonable and effective control of credit in order that its flow might be once more regulated and related to the economic welfare of the country and the needs of its producing industries, were reluctant to take any precipitate action. It was realized that productive industries are profoundly affected by credit conditions, that modern business is done on credit and that the mood and temper of

the business community are deeply affected by the state of credit and may be easily disturbed by ill-considered or hasty action. The test of the functioning of a credit system must be found in what it does to promote the production and distribution of goods. It is well understood that too rapid or too drastic deflation would defeat the very purpose of a well-regulated credit system by its unsettling effect upon productive industry. On the other hand, over-production at high cost on expanded credit would be a grave menace. The Federal Reserve authorities recognized the importance of avoiding extremes and their energies were therefore directed more particularly to the prevention of further expansion for non-essential purposes and to the gradual and orderly liquidation of non-essential loans. The predominant idea was not necessarily to reduce the loan accounts of the banks of the country but to bring about such a readjustment in them as would ultimately lead to a restoration of a proper balance between the volume of credit and the volume of concrete things, which credit helps to produce and which are the normal basis of credit. The Board believes that this equilibrium can be restored only by speeding up the processes of production, by the orderly distribution of goods, by the avoidance of excessive consumption and by the increased accumulation of savings.

On several occasions, before changes were made in the discount rates of the Federal Reserve banks, the Federal Reserve Board brought these matters to the attention of the public with a view of testing thoroughly the theory that the credit situation could be controlled without advancing the discount rates of the Federal Reserve banks. But because of the exhaustion of capital throughout the world and of the universal demand for credit, it soon developed that this was impossible. Rates were advanced slightly during November 1919 and again on Jan. 23 1920, approximately to their present level. The rates established, however, were still considerably lower than current market rates. It became evident early in the spring that no reduction in the total volume of loans was taking place, and that unless a more discriminating judgment was used by member banks in granting accommodations, the country would be confronted with a real crisis during the crop-moving period, into which we have now entered.

At a conference held last May between members of the Federal Reserve Board, members of the Federal Advisory Council and the Class "A," or banker, directors of the Federal Reserve banks, there was an exhaustive discussion of the banking and financial situation. In presenting to the conference an outline of the Board's views, I pointed out that since June 30 1914 there had been an expansion of banking credit in the United States, properly attributable to the war, of \$11,000,000,000, and that during the same period there had been an increase in the volume of money in actual circulation of about \$1,900,000,000. When it is considered that our Government during a period of three years floated \$26,000,000,000 of securities to meet war requirements, the credit expansion which had taken place could not be regarded as excessive or alarming when viewed from the standpoint of war necessity. Attention was called, however, to the continued expansion which had taken place since the flotation of the Victory Loan in May 1919, in the face of a decreased production of essentials.

In order that you may understand the Board's viewpoint of some of our major problems last May, I shall quote literally from the statement presented to the conference. [This statement was given in our issue of May 22, page 2138.—Ed.]

The policies outlined by the Board have, generally speaking, met with the approval of solid banking and business sentiment, and there has been since last spring a marked improvement in the credit situation. This is due to the better character and greater liquidity of bank credits rather than to any actual decrease in the volume of credit. As a matter of fact, the expansion in loans and currency during the past twelve months has been greater than for any like period in the history of the country with the single exception of the period between Sept. 1917, and Sept. 1918, when we were in the midst of the war.

I wish to call your attention to a comparative statement showing certain items of resources and liabilities of the Federal Reserve banks as of the last Friday in August, 1918, 1919 and 1920.

	Aug. 30 1918	Aug. 29 1919	Aug. 27 1920
	\$	\$	\$
Total gold reserves.....	2,013,794,000	2,066,788,000	1,971,825,000
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	53,168,000	69,188,000	156,002,000
 Total cash reserves.....	 2,066,962,000	 2,135,976,000	 2,127,827,000
Bills discounted secured by Govt. war obligations....	896,333,000	1,609,296,000	1,314,830,000
All others.....	531,862,000	205,838,000	1,352,297,000
Bills bought in open mkt.....	232,603,000	363,138,000	321,965,000
 Total bills on hand.....	 1,660,798,000	 2,178,272,000	 2,989,092,000
Long term Securities U. S. Govt. Bonds.....	30,350,000	27,096,000	26,810,000
Victory notes.....	-----	198,000	69,000
Treas. ctfs. of indebtedness	25,772,000	243,411,000	273,701,000
All other earning assets.....	67,000	-----	-----
 Total earning assets....	 1,716,987,000	 2,448,977,000	 3,289,672,000
Government deposits.....	104,729,000	54,494,000	43,510,000
Due to Member Banks (Reserve Account)	1,478,639,000	1,729,950,000	1,818,502,000
F. R. Notes in actual circu.....	2,092,708,000	2,580,629,000	3,203,637,000
Federal Res. Bank notes.....	20,687,000	219,815,000	200,793,000

These figures show that the banks of the country and the Federal Reserve banks have functioned well in meeting business requirements. While the process of bond distribution and liquidation of loans secured by Government obligations has proceeded steadily, there has been a large expansion of commercial loans. This expansion would be disquieting if the character of the loans was not understood, but as long as the advances are made on short time and for essential purposes in connection with the processes of production and distribution of goods, there is no reason for apprehension. There has been little change in the actual reserve held by the Federal Reserve banks during the past two years, but the total amount of bills held by them has increased from \$1,660,798,000 on Aug. 30 1918, to \$2,178,272,000 on Aug. 29 1919, and \$2,989,092,000 on Aug. 27 1920, the increase from Aug. 30 1918 to Aug. 29 1919 having been \$517,474,000, and from Aug. 29 1919 to Aug. 27 1920 \$810,820,000. The total amount of bills held by the Federal Reserve banks on Jan. 23 1920 the date when the present rate schedule became effective was \$2,729,247,000 so that the increase from that date to Aug. 27 1920 has been \$259,845,000.

This increase in loans of the Federal Reserve banks during the past year is a net increase despite a reduction in bills secured by Government war obligations of \$294,466,000 and of bills bought in open market of \$41,173,000 the increase in all other bills, including commercial rediscounts, having been \$1,146,459,000.

On Aug. 30 1918, Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation amounted to \$2,092,708,000; on Aug. 29 1919, to \$2,580,629,000 an increase of \$487,921,000, and on Aug. 27 1920 to \$3,203,637,000, an increase during the past year of \$623,008,000. Since the end of August, this year, the crop moving

demands have accelerated, and Federal Reserve note issues have increased at the rate of from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 a week, and bills discounted and bought by Federal Reserve banks at the rate of about \$50,000,000 a week. The increase in the volume of Federal Reserve notes outstanding from Jan. 23 1920, to Aug. 27 1920, was \$360,000,000.

Your attention is also invited to the following statement giving some of the figures furnished by a number of banks, including all of the more important member banks in the Federal Reserve and branch bank cities and clearing house cities throughout the country. For convenience they are designated as "reporting member banks." Their resources are estimated to be between 65 and 70% of the resources of all member banks and between 35 and 40% of all commercial banks in the country.

Reporting Member Banks.

	Sept. 5 1919.	Sept. 3 1920.
Number of reporting member banks	774	819
Liberty bonds	\$636,804,000	\$604,105,000
Victory notes	316,489,000	192,778,000
Certificates of indebtedness	1,334,416,000	422,050,000
U. S. bonds securing circulation	269,393,000	268,906,000

Total United States securities owned	\$2,557,102,000	\$1,487,839,000
Loans secured by Government obligations	1,294,285,000	695,291,000
Loans secured by stocks and bonds other than United States securities	2,956,596,000	3,044,120,000
All other loans and investments	8,425,179,000	10,286,315,000

Total loans and invest., excl. of redisc.	\$15,233,162,000	\$15,513,565,000
Total loans and investments, including rediscounts with Federal Reserve banks	15,530,967,000	16,927,978,000
Reserve balances with F. R. banks	1,342,058,000	1,394,957,000
Cash in vault	365,330,000	349,505,000
Net demand deposits	10,901,999,000	11,252,334,000
Time deposits	1,921,549,000	2,767,782,000
Government deposits	686,443,000	61,755,000
Bills payable with Federal Reserve banks	1,147,401,000	786,692,000
Bills discounted with F. R. banks	297,805,000	1,414,413,000

* Exclusive of bills rediscounted with other banks, including Federal Reserve banks.

The figures given in the foregoing table for Sept. 5 1919 were furnished by 774 member banks, and those for Sept. 3 1920, by 819 member banks. United States securities owned by all reporting member banks on Sept. 5 1919, amounted to \$2,557,102,000 against \$1,487,839,000 on Sept. 3 1920, a decrease of \$1,069,263,000, of which \$156,410,000 represents the permanent distribution of Liberty bonds and Victory notes to the investing public and \$912,366,000 the decrease in the amount of Treasury certificates held by the reporting banks. During the same period the loans of these banks secured by Government obligations (exclusive of rediscounts) declined from \$1,294,285,000 to \$695,291,000, a decrease of \$598,994,000. An increase of \$87,524,000 in loans secured by stocks and bonds other than United States securities is not significant, but all other loans and investments, which include commercial loans (exclusive of rediscounts), increased from \$8,425,179,000 to \$10,286,315,000, an increase of \$1,861,136,000, or 22.1%. On Jan. 23 1920 the loans and investments (less rediscounts) of the reporting member banks, exclusive of loans secured by Government obligations and by other stocks and bonds, amounted to \$9,505,927,000. The increase in these loans from that date up to Sept. 3 1920 has been \$780,388,000, being an increase of 8.2% for the period. If the increase is figured on the amounts of loans, inclusive of rediscounts with the Federal Reserve banks, the increase since that date works out at \$1,252,379,000, or 12.3%.

As shown in the table, total loans and investments (exclusive of rediscounts) of these reporting member banks show a net increase for the annual period covered from \$15,233,162,000 to \$15,513,565,000, or \$280,403,000. If the larger amounts of rediscounts with the Federal Reserve banks on the more recent date are taken into account, an increase of \$1,397,011,000 from \$15,530,967,000 to \$16,927,978,000 is shown. Reserve balances with Federal Reserve banks and cash in vault show a negligible increase of but \$37,074,000, on the two items combined, while net demand deposits of these reporting banks increased from \$10,901,999,000 to \$11,252,334,000 or \$350,335,000.

(Note.—Increase of time deposits due to a very large extent to admission of California State banks and trust companies with large savings deposits.)

During the same time Government deposits held by them declined from \$686,443,000 to \$61,755,000, a loss of \$624,688,000. Bills payable with Federal Reserve banks, consisting principally of member banks' collateral notes secured by Government obligations, amounted on Sept. 5 1919, to \$1,147,401,000, while on Sept. 3 1920, they had declined to \$786,692,000, a decrease of \$360,709,000. On Sept. 5 1919 the reporting member banks showed bills discounted with Federal Reserve banks (this item includes commercial paper of various types) amounting to \$297,805,000, and on Sept. 3 1920, \$1,414,413,000, an increase of \$1,116,608,000. The total accommodation received by these member banks from Federal Reserve banks, being the sum total of bills payable and bills rediscounted, amounted on Sept. 5 1919 to \$1,445,206,000, and on Sept. 3 1920 to \$2,201,105,000, an increase of \$755,899,000.

It is known that as a direct result of the discount policy of the Federal Reserve banks there has been a very large decrease in the amount of speculative and non-essential loans, and it is believed that the increase in the loan account of these reporting member banks has been due largely to a response to legitimate agricultural, commercial and industrial requirements.

The rapid expansion in loans which is just now taking place is due, undoubtedly, to crop moving requirements. Seven Federal Reserve banks are now rediscounting paper with three other Federal Reserve banks, and at the close of business on Sept. 9 1920 the Federal Reserve Bank of New York had rediscounted with other Federal Reserve banks bills receivable amounting to \$35,250,000. The Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond has rediscounted \$20,000,000; Atlanta, \$30,200,000; St. Louis, \$27,422,000; Minneapolis, \$21,293,000; Kansas City, \$18,902,000; and Dallas, \$37,618,000; making a total of rediscount transactions of \$190,685,000. Of this amount the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston advanced \$76,195,000; the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, \$4,000,000 and the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, \$110,490,000.

With the exception of New York all of the borrowing Federal Reserve banks are located in agricultural sections. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York is the greatest single supporter of the acceptance market and it is known that member banks in New York City are lending heavily just now to country banks in the farming sections. Consequently it is not overstating the case to say that all of the Federal Reserve Bank inter-bank borrowing is for crop moving purposes.

Your attention is called to a statement of bills discounted by Federal Reserve banks in the South and West which represent advances in support, directly and indirectly of agricultural and live stock interests.

BILLS DISCOUNTED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS IN THE SOUTH AND WEST WHICH REPRESENT ADVANCES IN SUPPORT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OF AGRICULTURAL AND LIVE STOCK INTERESTS.

Federal Reserve Banks.	Bills discounted for members outstanding Sept. 3 1920.	Discounts directly in support of agri-cultural and live stock interests.	Est. amount of disc'ts in sup-cnts in support of agri-cultural and live stock interests.	Total est. amt. of disc'ts in sup-cnts in support of agri-cultural and live stock interests.	Ratio of 2 to 1.	Ratio of 3 to 1.	Ratio of 4 to 1.
Richmond	\$128,411,000	\$16,000,000	\$19,000,000	\$35,000,000	12.5%	14.8%	27.3%
Atlanta	150,612,000	17,508,000	\$18,213,000	35,721,000	11.6%	12.1%	23.7%
Chicago	448,855,000	\$142,000,000	\$75,000,000	217,000,000	31.6%	16.7%	48.3%
St. Louis	\$131,900,000			29,000,000		22.0%	
Minneapolis	103,618,000	58,000,000	\$10,000,000	68,000,000	56.0%	9.6%	65.6%
Kansas City	131,238,000			78,500,000		59.8%	
Dallas	112,280,000	33,452,000	22,688,000	56,140,000	29.8%	20.2%	50.0%
San Fran	162,559,000	38,300,000	\$157,200,000	95,500,000	23.5%	35.2%	58.7%

a Includes \$13,200,000 advanced against Government war securities to banks in strictly agricultural sections. b Includes loans made directly or indirectly to banks in strictly agricultural sections. c Loans to industries directly allied with agriculture. d Figures for Aug. 13 to which date estimate of \$29,000,000 of loans for agricultural and live stock purposes applies. e Advances against Government war securities. f Includes \$24,300,000 advanced against Government war securities.

Of the total amount of bills under discount as of Sept. 3 1920, the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond estimates that 27.3% were in support of agricultural and live stock interests. The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta estimates its percentage of agricultural and live stock bills to be 23.7%, and this does not include the large amount of export bills discounted by the New Orleans Branch Federal Reserve Bank. At Chicago the percentage of paper rediscounted in support of agricultural and live stock interests to total bills held was 48.3%; at St. Louis, 22%; at Minneapolis, 65.6%; Kansas City, 59.8%; Dallas, 50%, and at San Francisco, 58.7%. The total of bills discounted for member banks by these eight Federal Reserve banks on Sept. 3 was \$1,369,673,000.

As non-member banks cannot rediscount with Federal Reserve banks and as by far the larger part of the loans of member banks are made out of their own resources, it is evident that the total of bank accommodations to agriculture and live stock interests are far greater than the amounts rediscounted at the Federal Reserve banks. As a majority of these loans are seasonal in their character, it is evident also that their liquidation will do more than any other single factor towards strengthening the banking position.

Speaking for myself personally, I desire to say, however, that I am a firm believer in gradual and orderly methods of marketing our great agricultural staples. Agriculture is the most important of all industries, for upon its fruits depend the lives of those engaged in all other industries. The farmer is a great consumer of manufactured products and anything that affects his buying power is soon reflected in the business of the merchant and the manufacturer. While the individual farmer may be just as well off with small production and high prices, the mass of the population is far better off with full production and moderate prices. But farming as a business must be remunerative or production will languish. It is, therefore, important that the efforts of the farmer be supported and stimulated, that he be aided in preserving the full measure of his harvest and that he be afforded an opportunity of marketing his products on terms sufficiently profitable to warrant his staying in the business of farming.

Great staple crops, the production of which extends over a period of several months, must meet the requirements of consumption for a full year and in order to prevent possibility of shortage it is desirable that there be a reasonable surplus held over from one crop pending the marketing of the next. The gradual and orderly marketing of our great staple crops is, therefore, a matter of importance both to producers and consumers. The dumping upon the market within a short period of time of a large part of a crop, consumption of which extends throughout the year, means only a loss to the producers, often to those who can least afford it, but involves also a great strain upon our transportation facilities and upon the banks in providing the funds necessary for large purchases in advance of actual requirements for consumption. Dumping of farm products promotes speculation and usually results in higher prices to the ultimate consumer. Farm products, however, should not be hoarded or held back from the market by the use of credit merely in the hope of forcing prices up to an artificial level. It is estimated by some that the value of this year's staple crops will be around \$22,000,000,000, and it is manifestly impossible for any banking system to provide funds to withhold these staples entirely from the market. There is no occasion to discuss the questions of public policy involved for it is clear that the volume of our great staple crops is so large and the value so enormous, that any efforts to valorize them by means of bank credits would inevitably result in disaster by the operation of economic law. But I think that all reasonable assistance should be given producers to enable them to market their crops in an orderly way provided they are willing to sell enough to meet current requirements and that consumers should concede to the farmer reasonable profits in order that future production may be adequate.

What is needed is an open market in which the law of supply and demand is given free play and in which buyer and seller may meet on equal terms. Theoretically at least it is possible, if adequate warehousing facilities are provided, for the farmer to obtain the benefit of the average price for the year without any increase in cost to the consumer and with lessened strain upon transportation lines and banks by distributing the marketing process over a reasonable period.

I have called your attention to figures which should convince anyone that there has been no restriction of credit for legitimate business but on the other hand an unusually large expansion of credit. Exception is frequently taken, however, to the discount rates now prevailing at the Federal Reserve banks. There has been some criticism of the Federal Reserve banks' percentage of profits as related to their paid-in capital. As is the case with other banking institutions, the earnings of the Federal Reserve banks are derived principally from interest on their loans and investments. Their earnings vary according to the volume of loans and with the rate of discount. The return from \$3,000,000,000 of invested assets at 6% is exactly the same as that from \$4,500,000,000 of loans at 4%. While the Federal Reserve banks were not organized for the purpose of making money, their present high rate of earning is unavoidable and would not be reduced by a reduction in the rediscount rate, which would merely attract a larger volume of rediscounts and involve a reduction in reserve already nearly at the legal minimum.

The law allows Federal Reserve banks to retain for distribution annually to their stockholding member banks, out of their net earnings, only an amount equal to 6% of their paid-in capital stock. The remainder of their net earnings goes to the Government, either indirectly in the shape of additions to surplus or directly as a franchise tax. Very large payments will be made to the Treasury by the Federal Reserve banks next January, which can be used in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury either to supplement the gold reserve held against outstanding United States notes

or they can be applied to the reduction of the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the United States.

Discount rates of a Federal Reserve bank are established from time to time by the directors of the bank, subject to the review and determination of the Federal Reserve Board. The law provides further that these rates shall be fixed with a view of "accommodating commerce and business." Section 13 of the Federal Reserve Act provides that "nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to prohibit notes, drafts and bills of exchange, secured by staple agricultural products or other goods, wares or merchandise from being eligible for discount; but such definition shall not include notes, drafts or bills covering merely investments, or issued or drawn for the purpose of carrying or trading in stocks, bonds or other investment securities, except bonds and notes of the Government of the United States."

There is a world-wide demand for credit. There are nearly \$25,000,000,000 of Liberty Bonds, Victory Notes and Treasury Certificates outstanding. Promissory notes secured by any of these bonds or notes of the United States are eligible for discount at the Federal Reserve banks. A low rate of discount at the Federal Reserve banks would attract heavy offerings of paper secured by these obligations, the proceeds of which could be used for any purpose and the result would be that pressure on member banks for loans of this character would be greatly increased, and the lending power of the Federal Reserve banks absorbed by non-liquid loans in a very short time. The Federal Reserve banks would then lose their ability to accommodate commerce and business.

As I have already pointed out, a thorough test was made last year of the theory that the credit situation could be controlled without advancing discount rates, but it was found that control could not be affected by an appeal to reason alone. As long as the customers of banks were aware of the fact that the member banks with which they dealt could lend them money and discount with the Federal Reserve banks at a profit, it was much more difficult for the member banks to refuse accommodations than is the case when they can point out to would-be borrowers that member banks can rediscount with Federal Reserve banks only on even terms or at a loss.

Interest rates at the Bank of England and other central banks are higher than the current market rates; for instance, the Bank of England rate is 7% while current market rates in London range from 6½ to 6¾%.

Interest rates are, in the last analysis, governed by the time-honored law of supply and demand. As the demand for credit becomes less acute and as the supply of loanable funds increases, interest rates will fall. Do not understand me, however, as attempting to justify any effort to keep the general level of rates above the Federal Reserve bank discount rates, for when our banking system reaches the point where it can function normally the Federal Reserve discount rates ought always to be somewhat higher than the current market rates.

If a member bank or a group of member banks have been in the habit of charging customers interest at the rate of, say 6% per annum, the mere fact that these banks may be rediscounting four or five per cent of their total loans with the Federal Reserve Bank at 6 or 7% does not, in my judgment, justify a corresponding increase in the member bank's rate on all loans. However, this is a matter which the member banks must settle with their own customers, with the Comptroller of the Currency or the State superintendent of banks as the case may be.

In view, however, of the present insistent demand for credit accommodations, I can appreciate the fact that the pathway of the average member bank is not strewn with roses. Our money market at present is distinctly a lenders' and not a borrowers' market, and banks all over the country are having applications for loans which they cannot make and many of which they would not care to make even during a period of extreme ease in the money market. However, I do not think it altogether fair for any bank to say to an applicant that it cannot make a loan because the Federal Reserve Board or the Federal Reserve Bank will not permit it to do so. The Federal Reserve authorities have no jurisdiction whatever over the loans which the directors and officers of a member or non-member bank may deem it expedient to make or to decline. The Board's function is to define eligible paper under the terms of the law and the managements of the Federal Reserve banks use their judgment in discounting offerings of eligible paper as defined by the Board. All banks have perfectly good paper which is not eligible for discount at the Federal Reserve Bank under the terms of the law and it does not follow, merely from the fact that any particular loan is technically eligible, that it must necessarily be intrinsically good.

The limitations upon the lending powers of national banks are defined in those sections of the Revised Statutes of the United States known as the "National Bank Act," and the banking departments of the respective States administer the laws applying to banking institutions operating under State charters. I would like to have it distinctly understood that the Federal Reserve Board has never sought to influence a bank either to make or decline a loan.

The Federal Reserve banks are authorized to purchase in the open market bankers' acceptances and bills of exchange of the kinds and maturities made eligible for rediscount, but with this exception they have no authority to deal directly with the public in their discount transactions; they are limited to eligible paper endorsed by a member bank. The extent, however, to which their discount facilities are now being used shows that through the medium of member banks the Federal Reserve banks are participating actively in extending credits.

In order to show the tendency of the banks of the country to lean more and more upon the Federal Reserve banks, I would ask your attention to some figures showing the amount of net deposits, loans and discounts, and bills payable and rediscounts of national banks at corresponding periods during a series of years, the figures being compiled from reports made to the Comptroller of the Currency in response to calls sent out by this office. It is impossible to give the exact figures for the State banks and trust companies but the tendencies manifested in the national bank figures relate also to other banks.

Statement Showing Net (Demand Plus Government and Time) Deposits, Loans and Discounts, also Rediscounts and Bills Payable of National Banks on Dates of Comptroller's Calls Specified below:
(In thousands of dollars.)

Dates—	Net demand plus time and Government deposits.	Loans and discounts, gross, i. e., including rediscounts and overdrafts.	Total rediscounts and bills payable.	Percentage of total bills payable and rediscounts to total loans & discounts.
Sept. 4 1906—	\$5,024,641	\$4,331,459	\$48,842	1.13
Aug. 22 1907—	5,399,367	4,709,027	59,177	1.26
Sept. 23 1908—	5,809,887	4,781,522	53,285	1.11
Sept. 4 1912—	7,140,596	6,061,009	82,375	1.36
Sept. 12 1914—	7,362,621	6,417,910	150,071	2.34
Sept. 12 1916—	10,247,920	7,921,070	91,893	1.16
Sept. 11 1917—	11,676,340	9,234,289	285,104	3.09
Aug. 31 1918—	12,412,213	10,111,113	1,294,005	12.8
Sept. 12 1919—	14,561,218	11,541,503	1,505,516	13.04
June 30 1920—	15,008,567	13,623,892	2,205,633	16.2

The latest figures available at the Comptroller's office are taken from the statements of June 30 1920. On that date the net deposits of all national banks were three times what they were on Sept. 4 1906, while loans and discounts had increased to the same extent. Their investments, however, which include bonds and securities, more than make up the difference. Figures are given for ten years, between 1906 and 1920, and show an unbroken gain in deposits as well as continuous increase in loans.

Your attention is directed particularly, however, to the proportion of bills payable and rediscounts of all national banks to their total volume of loans and discounts. On Aug. 22 1907, just before the panic of that year, bills payable and rediscounts of all national banks amounted to \$59,177,000 against total loans and discounts of \$4,709,027,000. The percentage of bills payable and rediscounts to total loans was 1.26%. On September 23 1908, the percentage was 1.11%, on Sept. 12 1914, total bills payable and rediscounts had increased to the unprecedented amount of \$150,071,000 or 2.34% of the total loans which amounted to \$6,417,910,000. This increase was due to the disturbance incident to the outbreak of the European war. On Sept. 12 1916 bills payable and rediscounts had fallen to \$91,893,000, or 1.16% of the total of loans of all national banks. On Sept. 11 1917 (the first year of our participation in the war) bills payable and rediscounts amounted to \$284,104,000, or 3.09% of the total loans, which amounted to \$9,234,289,000. These figures of course reflect war financing. The same observation will apply to figures for Aug. 31 1918, and Sept. 12 1919, when the percentages to total loans were 12.8% and 13.04% respectively.

But there has been no new financing by the Government since the flotation of the Victory loan; the total volume of Government obligations outstanding has decreased since Sept. 12 1919, when rediscounts and bills payable of all national banks amounted to \$1,505,516,000, while on June 30 1920 the national banks' liability for money borrowed in this way amounted to \$2,205,633,000, or 16.2% of their total loans of \$13,623,892,000.

In conclusion I would say that the Federal Reserve system is still confronted with conditions more or less abnormal, but we have passed through the period of exhilaration or intoxication which characterized American business activities several months ago, and notwithstanding the gloomy predictions which were frequently made at that time the transition to a more normal basis is proceeding quietly and without alarming features. Credit which is required for seasonal needs is being granted, and business generally is looking forward to a Fall and Winter of at least average activity. Sentiment is being helped by the bountiful harvests, by the better outlook for the railroads and by the knowledge that many highly essential developments which have been long deferred by force of circumstances, such as enlargement of our transportation facilities and additions to housing accommodations throughout the country, must soon be undertaken. A broad demand, which will probably extend over a period of years, is opening up for the products of our basic industries, and if in the readjustments ahead of us, any lines of business should prove to be overdone, there is every assurance that any surplus of brains and energy now engaged in such lines can be readily utilized in other fields of activity.

We have problems confronting us and we shall always have them, but, as always in the past, we can cope with them successfully if we approach them with a spirit of confidence and self-reliance tempered with common sense.

REPRESENTATIONS TO FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD AS TO FINANCIAL NEEDS OF LIVE STOCK INDUSTRY.

The financial needs of the live stock interests were set before members of the Federal Reserve Board in Washington on the 20th inst. by the committee which, as we noted last week, page 1141, was named at the Chicago meeting on Sept. 10, to confer with the Board in the matter. The committee represented live stock producers, packers, bankers and railroad interests and included John Fletcher, vice-president of the Fort Dearborn National Bank, Chicago; Frank J. Hagenbarth of Salt Lake City; Dr. J. M. Wilson of McKinley, Wyo., and Charles E. Collins, Kit Carson, Colo. Senator Jones of New Mexico also appeared with the delegation. Besides the members of the Federal Reserve Board, the members of the Advisory Council, who were present in Washington for their customary conference with the Board, participated in the deliberations with the committee seeking financial aid in behalf of the live stock industry. Mr. Hagenbarth who acted as spokesman for the committee declared that the live stock industry was in danger of curtailment because of the lack of credit, and he suggested that the Federal Reserve Board urge upon the Reserve Banks that member banks be enlightened as to the situation and that the latter be advised as to the necessity of extending such credit facilities as would give the needed relief.

W. P. G. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, we learn from the New York "Commercial" assured the delegation that the industry should have every consideration at the hands of the bankers, and that there was no intention to curtail credit. Strong pleas for the live stock industry, according to the paper quoted, came from some of the Western members of the Advisory Council present at the conference. The "Commercial" quotes Mr. Hagenbarth as saying:

The meeting at Chicago definitely developed the fact that the livestock industry was in danger of such curtailment as to constitute a great menace to the food supply of the country. The chief cause was the lack of credit or the proper application of such credit as is available. The livestock industry is dependent on credit to a large extent. The factors in furnishing this credit to which we desire to call your specific attention, are the banks and cattle loan companies located at the various markets of the country. These companies operate similarly to note brokers, with the important exception that they endorse all paper sold. They have outstanding at the present time conservatively, in excess of \$100,000,000, secured entirely by chattel

mortgages on cattle and sheep. Such companies are usually strongly capitalized, and have perfected organizations capable of determining in the highest degree the granting of credit to the livestock producer.

These companies depend upon banks to purchase the notes of the producer and for many years have enjoyed the confidence of banks in the large money centres, as well as the smallest banks in the country districts and most banks have, when deposits were normal, freely purchased this class of loans, considering them as excellent secondary reserve. Such loans have been made, so that they are eligible for rediscount at the Federal Reserve banks. During the past summer months there has been a large falling off in the funds available through these sources, so that many of the banks at the livestock centres and many cattle loan companies have been forced to required borrowers to ship livestock to market regardless of sex, age or condition. This has resulted in their being slaughtered—many thousand head of cows, calves and young stock—which has reduced production to an alarming degree and if permitted to continue will have an effect that it will take from five to ten years to correct and during that time the supply of livestock for human consumption will be far short of the requirements of the country.

The figures issued by the Department of Agriculture on July 1 emphasize the trend of the situation. On July 1 1920, the number of hogs in the United States was 16.6% less than that on July 1 1919; the number of cattle 7.7% less and the number of sheep 33.3% less.

The banks in the large money centres that have heretofore taken this class of paper in liberal quantities are now, by reason of the general credit situation, demanding liquidation. This means that at least the 100,000,000 mentioned above, which has always heretofore been available, is being withdrawn, with the result that large herds of breeding cattle and sheep are being forced to market.

This committee desired to impress upon the members of the Federal Reserve Board and the Advisory Council the great danger to the live stock industry now existing and to enlist your earnest and sustained help in overcoming, as far as possible, the disabilities now existing. There is no new problem in the livestock industry. The crisis arises solely from the withdrawal of sources of credit, which have always heretofore been available.

The granting of credits for movement of livestock into feed lots or for the purpose of carrying producing herds on the range is in no sense speculative. Feeding for market is an orderly step in the progress to market of a legitimate crop. Owing to the uncontrollable agencies of weather conditions, high costs and low markets—the latter largely caused by liquidation—the producing interests must have the usual financial help that they have heretofore enjoyed.

It is our suggestion, therefore, that your organization promulgate, in such a manner as may seem best, the facts regarding the situation and urge upon the officials of the Federal Reserve banks in all districts that they fully enlighten all members of their districts of the situation and urge upon member banks the necessity of such use of their credit facilities as will give all possible relief.

As to the presentments by members of the Advisory Council the "Commercial" says:

A. L. Mills, member of the Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve system of the district embracing Portland and San Francisco, declared that Federal Reserve banks should be no liberal in discounting live stock paper.

"Inability to obtain sufficient credit means the cartalism in the live stock industry that will throw us back ten years," said Mr. Mills. "My suggestion is that the Federal Reserve banks must be more liberal in their line of credit. If the Federal Reserve banks will allow discounts to a large value per animal it will help the country banks which are loaded down with this paper. Unless the producers can get feed to go through another winter you are going to see a destruction of breeding stock."

"The word should go out with as much authority as possible to give that industry every assistance. We must lend such financial support as it is possible to give."

F. O. Watts, member of the Advisory Council from the St. Louis district, said that the trouble is that much of the outstanding cattle paper has been artificially placed and that as these loans expire they are being called in.

"So far as cattle loan companies have laid a substantial foundation for credit for livestock there will be no trouble in getting the money," said Mr. Watts. "It seems to me that we are near to the peak. We are looking over. I believe there may be an easing of credit."

F. T. Jaffray, member of the Advisory Council from the Minneapolis District, said that it was the policy of the banks of that district to insist that cattle loans be paid when shipments have been made, rather than to allow the money to be held for other purposes. He said that much of the difficulty has been due to the fact that a large number of small cattle loan companies were formed without sufficient banking.

Senator Jones declared that eastern bankers should do more toward the financing of the western live stock industry.

R. L. Ball, member of the Advisory Council from the Texas district, said that there was no question but that cattle loans were being called in in large quantities. He said he believed the Board should urge the bankers to carry as much of the live stock paper as they can.

It was reported on Sept. 23 that Mr. Fletcher, upon his return to Chicago from Washington has stated that the Federal Reserve authorities had requested Western bankers to go ahead as far as they could in making loans to cattlemen for carrying stock to the next shipping period. "We were assured," Mr. Fletcher is quoted as saying, "that the Federal Reserve banks would be liberal in rediscounting cattle paper."

FARM INTERESTS PETITION FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD FOR CREDIT FACILITIES.

Overtures on the part of representatives of farm interests for additional credit facilities were made to the Federal Reserve Board in Washington on Sept. 21. To their plea W. P. G. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, reiterated (so it is stated in the New York "Commercial" of Sept. 22, which had a special Washington account of the Conference), what he has told several other groups, namely, that every possible consideration is being given agriculture, but that it is not within the province of the Federal Reserve Board to give the banks specific instructions as to just what loans to make. Mr. Harding, it is added, indicated that there seemed to be no action that the Board could take at this time. Those who appeared before the Reserve Board

in behalf of the farm interests included O. M. Kile and Gray Silver, representing the American Farm Bureau Federation; Charles A. Lyman, secretary of the National Board Farm Organizations; T. C. Atkeson, representing the National Grange; Benjamin C. Marsh, secretary of the Farmers' National Council, and R. W. H. Stone, president of the North Carolina Farmers' Union. Henry Sterling, of the American Federation of Labor, was also in attendance. Mr. Kile is quoted in the "Commercial" as saying:

The farmer feels that he has not been receiving a fair share of the credit of the country. There has been too much concentration in the cities. The livestock interests of the West report that their loans are being called; the cotton men of the South find it impossible to get advances on their crops, the wool people have had great difficulty in financing their needs. The present market conditions would mean great loss if products were thrown on the market.

There is no dearth of funds or credit available for use by the Federal Reserve banking system. The utilization of the full resources of the system has not even been approached.

We cite testimony of farmers, livestock men, bankers and market experts which proves beyond a doubt that farmers' legitimate productive credit needs are not being met.

The rulings and policies adopted by the Federal Reserve Board to curtail speculation and control production have reacted to the injury of agriculture.

We feel that in the face of these facts the distinct responsibility and duty lies with the Federal Reserve Board and the Treasury Department to so adapt the existing credit facilities to better meet the needs of the farmers

SECRETARY HOUSTON DENIES RESTRICTION OF CREDITS—LOANS AGAINST COTTON AND WOOL.

A denial that the Federal Reserve Board of any other agency of the Government was unduly restricting credit was made by Secretary of the Treasury Houston on Sept. 22, according to "Financial America" of that date, which also had the following to say:

Mr. Houston pointed out that the last report by Governor Harding of the Reserve Board showed the credit had been extended by more than \$2,000,000,000, and to-day he said this sum had been increased. He denied the credit of the country had been unreasonably inflated.

Demands are reaching the Treasury, he said, for removal of credit restrictions, but these demands were largely from interests that were not following policies likely to bring about a satisfactory solution of the present high costs. These interests Mr. Houston characterized as purely speculative and as for the maintenance of continued high prices.

Speaking of cotton, Mr. Houston declared the men who complained of credit restrictions on cotton were the same who were interested in maintaining high prices by warehousing cotton and keeping it off the market. The same complaint, he stated, was heard from cattle men, steel men and others.

"During the war," Mr. Houston said, "the price of cotton went to 40 cents and the price of wool to 85 cents. These same prices would be sought to be maintained, irrespective of the question of supply and demand. Loans placed against these commodities, if they remain good security, may be obtained, but it is not the policy of the Treasury Department or the Federal Reserve Board to help any individual or any interest to warehouse goods or materials for the sole purpose of keeping them off the market and maintain what may be considered high prices. This would be an evasion of the Sherman Act in which the Federal Reserve Board and other financial institutions engaged in the transaction would be co-conspirators."

Mr. Houston pointed out there is no desire on the part of the Reserve Board or the Treasury to hamper business by arbitrarily calling good loans or unduly restricting credit.

DISCUSSIONS AT CONFERENCE OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD AND ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Members of the Federal Reserve Board and the Advisory Council of the Reserve Board were in conference at Washington on Monday and Tuesday of this week, Sept. 20 and 21, but no official announcement has been made as to the matters discussed. In its issue of Sept. 21 the "Journal of Commerce" had the following to say in part regarding the conference.

Practically all the important questions now being discussed in banking circles were brought before the conference. Progress made by the banks in checking inflation, whether additional action should be taken by the Federal Reserve Board immediately to facilitate the deflation of values, the disbursement of bank credit to credit needs of industry and other subjects of similar importance are understood to have been on the programme for discussion.

Information for the Board.

The Federal Reserve bank officials, who compose the Advisory Council because of their position as representative of business of each Federal Reserve district, are relied upon by the Federal Reserve Board to furnish information as to the financial and business situation in each district in order that the board may be guided in determining whatever action is necessary to improve conditions. Whatever views and recommendations are expressed at the periodical meetings of the Advisory Council with the Federal Reserve Board undoubtedly will carry with them considerable weight in shaping the policies of the board.

Whether further action shall be taken by the Federal Reserve Board to alter the present level of discount rates as a part of the Board's campaign to reduce inflation and prevent the disbursement of any material amount of credit to less essential industries and uses also will depend in a large measure on the conference held today and the view of the Advisory Council members. It is expected.

Favors Use of Acceptances.

The general use of bankers' acceptances also was a question that drew out a considerable amount of discussion, it is understood. The Federal Reserve Board has been desirous of increasing the use of bankers' acceptances in the operations of the Federal Reserve banks and it is possible that the banks will be urged to make greater use of the acceptances than they have done heretofore.

Unusual demands upon the banks by industries for credit furnished one of the principal questions before the conference for discussion, it is under-

stood. The Federal Reserve Board for the past several weeks has received many complaints of various industries against an alleged shortage of credit and the general inability to obtain a sufficient amount of credit from the banks to meet necessary requirements.

Although the Federal Reserve Board has answered all appeals of this sort for financial aid with the statement that the banks are adequately equipped with finances to meet all necessary financial needs, and that whatever aid is obtained must be obtained from that quarter, it is likely that the attention of the banks will be called to this cause of complaint.

That any immediate action will be taken by the Federal Reserve Board as a result of this conference is thought improbable. The Board is not thought to be dissatisfied with the present credit and general financial situation, and is not likely to disturb existing conditions in the midst of the movement of crops and other important industrial operations.

NEW YORK FEDERAL RESERVE BANK'S STATEMENT AS TO ACCEPTANCE PURCHASES ACCOUNT OF FOREIGN TRADE.

According to a statement submitted to W. P. G. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York relative to the financing of foreign trade, the purchases of acceptances by the Bank from the first of the year to the end of August totaled approximately \$758,330,000, and of this \$568,457,000 represented acceptances on account of foreign trade. The statement of the Reserve Bank as presented to Governor Harding was transmitted by the latter to Secretary of Commerce J. W. Alexander, who in making it public on the 16th inst. is said to have noted that the figures, contrary to the supposition that a policy of restricting credits is being enforced, indicates that all possible aid is being rendered by the Reserve Banks in furthering foreign trade. The following is the memorandum as submitted to Governor Harding by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York:

Since the first of the current year to the close of last month our gross outright purchases of acceptances of all kinds amounted to approximately \$758,330,000. This is exclusive of bills purchased by us from the dealers under their 15-day repurchase agreement. Of the above amount, approximately \$568,457,000 represents acceptances in connection with foreign trade, both import and export.

In order to arrive at the amount of bills purchased by us, covering particularly our trade with the Orient, we have taken the total volume of bills bearing the names, as acceptor and as indorser, of the various foreign banks which have agencies in New York as well as in the Orient, and of the American foreign trade banks whose chief business is in connection with the Oriental trade. This shows that since the first of the year up to the close of August, we purchased acceptances upon which their names appeared:

As Indorser, approximately-----	\$96,281,000
As Acceptor, approximately-----	33,801,000

Total, approximately----- \$130,082,000

These figures, of course, give only a very approximate indication of the total bills originating in the Oriental trade, as there is no doubt a fairly considerable volume of bills accepted by American banks covering exports to the Orient which only a detailed summary of our schedules would disclose with any degree of accuracy.

I believe, however, that the above mentioned amount of approximately \$96,281,000, representing acceptances purchased by us with the indorsement of the particular classes of banks referred to, gives a fairly good idea in connection with imports to this country from the Orient. There is, however, no similar method by which we can arrive quickly at the volume of bills purchased by us, covering our exports to the Orient, because, as above indicated, it would mean an exceedingly large amount of work to pick out from our schedules the Oriental export bills during the period dealt with above.

In order to get some idea, however, of what this figure amounts to, we have examined our schedules for one representative day each month, from January to August, 1920, inclusive. This shows that the total amount of bills purchased by us on those days, drawn against exports to the Orient, was as follows:

January-----	\$565,000
February-----	761,000
March-----	1,328,000
April-----	1,071,000
May-----	484,000
June-----	255,000
July-----	582,000
August-----	500,000

Total for 8 days----- \$5,546,000

All of the above figures relate to acceptances purchased for our own account alone. To arrive at the aggregate amount purchased by us, not only for ourselves but for account of other Federal Reserve banks, member banks and foreign correspondent banks, the above figures should in each case be increased by approximately 30 to 35%.

As you know, we have always been most favorably disposed toward bills drawn in connection with our foreign trade, and, as indicated by the above figures, we have shown them a marked preference and have always purchased them freely when offered to us through the market.

In addition to their active support by us in our open market purchases, we have taken every occasion to encourage and develop their use along the proper lines.

D. C. WILLS NAMED AS MEMBER OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

D. C. Wills, Chairman of the Board and Federal Reserve Agent of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland was this week appointed by President Wilson as a member of the Federal Reserve Board succeeding Henry A. Moehlenpah. The latter had been named a year ago to fill the unexpired term of F. A. Delano, resigned.

STATE INSTITUTIONS ADMITTED TO FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM.

The Federal Reserve Board at Washington announces the following list of institutions which was admitted to the Federal Reserve System in the week ending Sept. 17 1920:

		Total.
District No 1—	Capital.	Surplus.
Exchange Trust Co., Boston, Mass.—	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
District No. 3—		\$18,221,402
Peoples Trust Co., Tamaqua, Pa.—	125,000	40,000
District No. 5—		930,496
Peoples State Bk., Inc., of Galax, Va.	25,000	18,700
District No. 10—		329,425
Oakland State Bank, Oakland, Neb.—	25,000	10,000
District No. 11—		410,640
First State Bank, Celina, Texas—	50,000	40,000
Guaranty State Bank, Hedley Texas	25,000	12,500
District No. 12—		131,109
Bank of Ephraim, Ephraim, Utah—	50,000	25,000
		744,533

WAR SAVINGS SECURITIES HAVE ALL ELEMENTS SUGGESTED FOR POSTAL SAVINGS FUNDS, ACCORDING TO WILLIAM MATHER LEWIS

The fact that the War Savings Securities carry interest at 4% and are available at all post offices, thus providing an opportunity for small investors, is pointed to by William Mather Lewis, Director of the Savings Division of the Treasury Department as making unnecessary the agitation for raising the interest rate on postal savings deposits. Mr. Lewis also states that since the beginning of the war savings movement in 1917 the total amount of these securities sold has been about \$1,168,559,000; of this, he says, some \$360,356,000 have been redeemed, leaving about \$808,203,000 still in the hands of savers. Mr. Lewis's statement, issued at Washington Sept. 20, says:

In the discussion now going on as to the desirability of raising the postal savings rates and thus increasing the funds available from this source, one element has been left out of consideration by those who have made statements concerning the matter. An interest rate of 4%, the establishment of facilities for savings in all post offices, the creation of a security which always remains at par, have been suggested, but it has not been added that all these elements are already in existence in War Savings Securities. Every post office in the United States sells Thrift stamps and War Savings stamps. War Savings stamps pay 4% interest compounded quarterly, if held to maturity, and are always redeemable even before maturity at cost price plus nearly 3% interest. Treasury Savings Certificates having maturity values of \$100 and \$1,000, which have the same general features as the War Savings stamps, are on sale at numerous post offices and banks. Agitation for a 4% rate on small savings is, therefore, without basis inasmuch as such a rate is now available through Government savings securities offered at all post offices.

The total amount of these small securities sold since the beginning of the war savings movement in 1917 is about \$1,168,559,000. Of this amount some \$360,356,000 have been redeemed, leaving about \$808,203,000 still in the hands of savers. Although sales have decreased since the war, because of the lack of the war appeal and the discontinuance of spectacular campaigns, the let up on the habit of savings, and the natural tendency to turn funds from War Savings securities to Liberty bonds at the present attractive prices, the demand for the securities still continues strong in many parts of the country and fills a real need. While sales have decreased, redemptions have also materially decreased and the evidence is constantly accumulating that the people appreciate the value of savings securities as investments. Numerous labor organizations have recently passed resolutions presenting to their membership the advantages of War Savings securities, and in the Third Federal Reserve District alone 60,000 members have been added to Government savings societies in industrial plants during the present year. In the textile plants of New England savings groups are flourishing. The National Educational Association has recognized the educational and economic value of these small securities as used in the schools. In Ohio the children invested an average of \$7 per capita in them during the last school year, and in Texas the children have purchased approximately \$13,000,000 worth since they were put on sale in 1917. These are only random examples of hundreds which could be cited to prove the wisdom of providing small Government securities which give the smallest saver the opportunity for absolutely sound investment at a good rate of investment and at the same time the chance to aid in financing the Government.

INCREASE IN POSTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITS AT NEW YORK POST OFFICE.

According to a statement issued on Sept. 16 by Thomas G. Patten, Postmaster at New York, the statistics of the Postal Savings system covering the depositories in the General Post Office, New York, and the various branch stations throughout Manhattan and the Bronx, show that during the month of August there was an increase of 1,216 in the number of depositors and that there are now in excess of 158,000 depositors with open accounts. These have on deposit \$47,870,511. The deposits show a net increase in August of \$914,912. Interest is paid on deposits at the rate of 2% and as much as \$2,500 is accepted from a single depositor.

NEW YORK SCHOOLS OFFER NEW GOVERNMENT SAVINGS SYSTEM.

The Government Loan Association of the Federal Reserve District of New York states that as part of the Government's School Savings program to help boys and girls in their ambition to succeed, a plan will be introduced into the schools

of the New York Federal Reserve District. Although the details of the plan are not yet announced it is understood that the Government has devised a system which is extremely easy to operate and it is believed will arouse new enthusiasm on the part of the children for the saving of money. In its letter to school superintendents the Government Loan Organization said in part:

Because of your official capacity and your personal interest in making better Americans through the medium of teaching thrift in a practical way in our schools we are writing, briefly, regarding the Government Savings program for the coming year.

In order that the Government may render the utmost assistance to our boys and girls in their ambition to succeed, the school savings system has been greatly simplified thus making it easier to operate, more interesting to teachers and parents, and more inspiring to the children.

As we appreciate that this is for you one of the busiest periods of the whole year, we are sending this letter merely to give you advance information regarding the Government plan, and we are refraining from sending supplies of the simplified Savings Books for another ten days with the thought that it will then be more convenient for you to give some attention to this important activity.

HERBERT HOOVER ON ADVISABILITY OF INCREASING RATE ON POSTAL SAVINGS FUNDS.

In a discussion of the question of an increase in the rate on postal savings deposits from 2 to 4%, before the Senate Committee on Reconstruction and Production, on the 23d inst., Herbert Hoover stated that the real question at issue "appears to me to be not only justice to depositors but also whether the aggregate of national savings can be increased by offering a larger return on postal savings deposits—whether more savings can be pulled out of stockings, waste and luxuries and 'wild cats.'" He added:

Every dollar so saved is a contribution to national welfare for many reasons. I have no doubt of the validity of the principle that the Government, through the postal savings bank, should not compete with mutual and other savings banks, but I do believe the aggregate of national savings would be stimulated if the Government stopped profiteering and if it paid something like an adequate rate of interest to depositors.

Mr. Hoover also said:

Even the 2% of the original Act has been defeated by departmental regulations. An examination of any annual report will show that they do not receive much in excess of 1%, owing to the regulations in force. For instance, in 1918 the average deposits were approximately between \$125,000,000 and \$130,000,000, and the interest paid to depositors is \$1,250,000. And not only is the system subject to criticism for this, but the same reports will show that profits obtained by the Government in 1918, chiefly from redeposit in banks at 2½%, is given as \$1,135,000. If a complete balance sheet were made from the beginning, this return would probably represent at least a 100% per annum profit on any capital invested by the Government in supporting the scheme in its early years, or any capital extension that has been necessary in the Post Office Department. Such an operation in private banks would be dignified by the term "profiteering" and a public demand would require investigation by the Attorney-General. The depositors are the poorest and the least wise of the community, and deserve especial care.

If nothing more were done, it would seem only justice that the whole method of payment of interest should be reorganized in such a manner as to approximately distribute the profits back to the depositors. In other words, if interest were payable at 2% compound interest on quarterly balances, it would, in view of the considerable deposits that remain for less than a quarter, absorb about the present profits made by the Government.

It appears to me that the first thing to do is to pay interest at the rate of ½% quarterly on average deposits. This is only a matter of justice and is the implication of the law—at the rate of 2% per annum—not 1% as at present. The second step that seems to me worth considering is the declaration yearly in advance of an additional rate that will be paid upon deposits of twelve months' duration. Such a declaration to be based upon safe experience and by yearly determination will rise and fall with general interest rates and the earnings of the bank. In order that a reasonable addition shall be provided in this super-rate, for twelve months deposits, probably 70% of the average deposits should be invested in Government securities, the 30% representing the re-deposit in banks in protection against the demand of character of deposits. Such annual declaration, after deduction of expenses and depreciation of securities, would raise the rate on deposits remaining for twelve months to probably somewhat under the mutual savings banks. It would stimulate the saving of deposits for longer periods.

The principle of redeposit in local banks to prevent national congestion of funds is no longer the essential principle it was when the original Acts were passed. The inauguration of the Federal Reserve system has rendered the banking capital of the country so liquid that the Postal Savings deposits, amounting to less than 1% of the National deposits, bears no relation to it.

It would appear to me also that a more definite organization should be given to the Postal Savings at the top. I believe it is necessary and desirable that a real directorate should be appointed in which the Federal Reserve Board and some independent membership should be introduced.

HYWEL DAVIES OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR ON QUESTION OF INCREASING POSTAL SAVINGS INTEREST RATE.

Hywel Davies, Commissioner of Conciliation for the Federal Department of Labor, furnished testimony on Sept. 21 before Senate Committee on Reconstruction in regard to savings banks. Mr. Davies for thirty-five years has been in touch with the industrial workers; for twenty-five years he superintended and managed mines in Kentucky and Tennessee during which period he assisted in the adjustment of wage disputes between coal operators and workers. Mr. Davies, in giving his reasons for the expansion of the Post Office Savings Bank facilities, expressed the belief that this expansion would do as much as any other

thing toward helping in the solution of the industrial problems of the country. Men to-day, he said, are earning more surplus money than ever before. It is something new to them and the temptation to spend it is often a controlling factor. They become an easy prey to all sorts of "get rich quick" and gambling schemes and make useless purchases that leave them poorer than they were before the era of the High Cost of Living. Very few save for a rainy day. It is of pressing public duty to educate these people in the ways of thrift, to make saving easy for them, and to enable them to get reasonable returns on their savings. The alien is more saving than the native American, but the alien, he contends, has little faith in banks and wonders why he cannot lend his money to the Government as he did in his home country. The American on the other hand, Mr. Davies declared, chafes because the investments of the poor do not earn as much as those of the rich. He cannot discriminate between stocks, bonds, and savings. He cannot understand why one hundred dollars in Post Office savings should not earn about as much as a \$100 Liberty Bond. He cannot understand why the \$100 he paid for his bond is not worth the \$100 any time he wants to cash it in. The variations of bond values are beyond his economic grasp. He feels that the 2% on postal savings is not enough interest under present conditions, so he either hoards or spends his money. Mr. Davies, in his argument, said:

The adoption of a simple, convenient banking arrangement for deposit and withdrawal, with enough interest to make the worker feel that he is getting a square deal, will quickly restore confidence. The evidence will be that "savings fund" with the Government will do more to stabilize labor and reduce the expensive turnover at plants working even three hundred or more days per annum than any other one thing.

The Post Office could even establish near large plants "branch savings banks" open on pay days and one or two days thereafter, in addition to the regular Post Office. The solicitation of such "savings" could be conducted by similar "poster" propaganda as during the war, and investment in Government funds (as such deposits would really be, even though represented by a deposit book) would do more towards real Americanization than all the academic lectures or talks that could be indulged in. Labor has some surplus money—why not show the advantages of saving it by keeping it in circulation and the disadvantages of the multiplying losses as the result of hoarding?

My special interest lies in the economic benefits to the industrial welfare of the country as a whole. There are:

(1) Contribution to greater stability of labor. The man with a savings fund will not impair it by "striking" without a good and sufficient cause.

(2) Reduction of labor turnover. The man with a savings account will not be so ready to roam or move except when he feels that the move is for the better.

(3) The owner of a savings fund account will have a greater tendency to find an anchorage and a home, which in turn will increase his interest in his neighborhood and neighbors, also in the general welfare of county, State and nation.

Mr. Davies stated that the 60,000 mine and metal workers of the West, and the 15,000 oil workers of California that he dealt with in the production of copper and oil during the war, and with whom he is still dealing, were 100% buyers and contributors during the war.

Why not do something to keep up the incentive to do for themselves what they did for their country? It can be done, but it will take a campaign of education through posters, moving pictures and publicity men and a guaranty of the same interest rates as that of Liberty bonds, but with one hundred cents on the dollar assured, coupled in addition to such short talks on Americanization that points the way to a "real partnership" in this great republic of ours.

It is my duty as the representative of the Department of Labor to be on the alert to note and disseminate any idea or plan that has the earmarks of an "aid" to the solution of the industrial problem of the West on the theory that prevention is better than cure, and I could tell you an interesting story of how the Department of Labor has maintained real industrial peace for the last three years in the misnamed "wild and wooly West."

But that is not germane to the present "hearing" except to say that the present peace or truce can be clinched only by showing the worker that the "employers" and the "Government" have their general welfare in mind other than merely paying wages, collecting taxes and registering votes.

I know of no better method that will appeal to the workers to renew their interest in Government financial affairs than to adopt some plan similar to the one recommended by Mr. Meyer, because:

(1) It will not only relieve Government wants and remove pressure from the banks by putting millions in circulation, but

(2) it will make more interested citizens of the depositors, and

(3) go a long way towards the solution of industrial unrest.

Saving is a "habit" too little cultivated in this good land of ours, and we may have to supplement industrial savings by encouraging "school savings" in order to develop the "habit" of saving "pennies," so that when we grow "up" the habit of saving "dollars" will naturally follow. The "pennies" or their equivalent in Europe go for stamps which are cancelled and converted into a deposit when the stamp card amounts to a shilling, a franc, a mark, &c.

The demonstration of some such evidence of "thrift" should be a part of the curriculum of every public school.

The development of the "thrift" habit would then grow to be a national characteristic.

A habit of extravagance is easy to form and hard to break—so is a habit of saving; something should be done at once to make saving easier and more attractive.

OPPOSITION OF SAVINGS BANK SECTION OF A. B. A. TO PROPOSED HOUSING MEASURES.

Criticism of the pending proposals intended to relieve housing conditions has come from the Savings Bank Section of the American Bankers' Association, which in what it has

to say in the matter states that "the unfortunate haste with which the New York Legislature may frame its projects for improving the housing situation" has prompted the association, through the Savings Bank Section, "to comment on certain economic principles which might escape attention." Treating of the untoward results of the several propositions advanced for relief, one of these, that to exempt new dwellings from taxation for five or ten years, is declared to be "subject to all the inequities and wrong principles involved in Henry George's so-called 'single tax.'" As to the proposal to confer tax exemption on the bonds of the Land Bank of the State of New York the Savings Bank Section finds "most serious" the "fact that this scheme contemplates the issue of tax exempt securities, to compete with other private financing and also with Federal State and municipal borrowings." Finally, it says "the profit from the rediscounting operation will accrue to the investors in the loan associations" and it goes on to add that "from the loan associations' viewpoint this will be merely a step toward nationalizing the loan associations as proposed by the Calder-Nolan 'Home Loan Bank' Bill and it will create a new and perhaps inflated relation between the savings and the borrowings of each locality." The statement of the Association, presented under date of Sept. 16 by S. Fred Strong, President of the Savings Bank Section and Leo Day Woodworth, Secretary, in portraying the views of that body toward the proposed measures, says:

The unfortunate haste with which the New York Legislature may frame its projects for improving the housing situation has prompted the American Bankers' Association, through its Savings Bank Section, to comment on certain economic principles which might escape attention.

Quick decisions will be attempted by the legislators both because of the near approach of the fall moving session and the exigencies of the present political campaign. Furthermore, it is notable that much of the public discussion by candidates for public office appears to have been directed more to the sympathy of certain radical districts in New York City where the housing situation is especially bad, than with a view to the framing of policies which will be of permanent value.

These remarks and criticisms are submitted because we believe them to be more constructive than is any plan which will supply temporary relief at the cost of violating economic principles—and therefore in the end be destructive. The penalties which accompany such violations of economic law will increase in burden from year to year and no legislation can avoid them.

A few of the principal objects on which we will comment are as follows:

A—AMENDMENT OF BANK LAWS.

1.—*To require savings banks to loan a larger percentage of their resources on real estate security.*

This proposal disregards two facts: First, savings banks hold mortgage loans as the most desirable of the investments which are now specified by law. Most savings banks appear to be actively in the market for mortgage loans at this writing. Usually there has been a scarcity of good mortgage loans. New loans are being taken in some cases at 5½% or even 5%, although the actual value of the money for such investments is now around 8%. Second, each bank must so manage its affairs that it can meet the demands of depositors for cash. The percentage of permanent investments must therefore vary according to localities, to the special clientele of each bank, and to industrial conditions.

2.—*Require banks to loan up to 80% of the real estate security.*

This proposal could not be enforced without causing disaster. Real estate mortgages are safe investments only so long as there is ample equity to pay the loan and other liens in event of foreclosure under any conditions which may reasonably be expected. Shifting of population and changes in the use of property are so rapid that they must be guarded against by banks having hundreds and thousands of such loans. Even the co-operative building and loan associations do not maintain any such standard. On loans at 80% the banks would be assuming the risks taken by purchasers of second mortgages, which risks are ordinarily covered at a cost of two or three times the normal rate of interest.

3.—*To repeal the provision of law under which savings banks invest a small part of their resources in bankers' acceptances.*

This would be distinctly unfavorable to savings bank depositors. It would reduce the earnings of savings banks without increasing the amount of their mortgage loans. Investments in acceptances are in fact cash reserves rather than investments. The real seriousness of the situation is evident when we compare the thirty-five millions of bankers' acceptances and bills of exchange held by the savings banks with the one billion two hundred twenty-seven million dollars invested in loans on real estate.

Savings depositors are entitled to the highest return which is compatible with sound savings banking and means should be devised for increasing the earnings of the mutual savings banks, if possible, rather than by forcing this thirty-four million dollars back to the 2% which can be earned by re-deposit in commercial banks.

B—SUBSIDY THROUGH TAX EXEMPTION.

We have yet to see any logical argument in defense of the principle of tax exemption. On its very face it removes a financial burden from one or more individuals and makes the burden still heavier upon those who are still taxable. Such methods are clearly incompatible with our American system of equality and democracy. Furthermore, experience shows that an exemption once granted will not be repealed. Also, to grant exemptions and thereby to narrow the tax base instead of reducing the rate and spreading the assessment over the widest possible base, can only result in more demands for exemption as various interests and especially utilities, find themselves unable to pay the going price for capital.

The New York general property tax became largely inadequate and monstrous in its inequalities by reason of the tax exemptions through legislation and administration. The income tax law was adopted as a measure of justice to real estate investors as well as of public revenue—shall it now be vitiated by establishing a precedent for exemptions?

4.—*To exempt incomes from mortgages up to \$40,000 from the state income tax.*

That this small exemption of only from 1 to 3% on the interest received can have any appreciable bearing upon the flow of capital is not claimed

even by its proponents. But it is made to apply to both the billions of mortgages now outstanding and to the new capital which it is sought to divert to the mortgage field. Exactly why a limit of forty thousand dollars was selected has never been shown and in view of the large real estate units required for residential and industrial uses in New York City, we fail to see why large investors should not be subsidized as well as small, if this is really an emergency measure.

But it is said that this will help to obtain Federal exemption. No encouragement for any Federal exemption to mortgage interests can be obtained from reading statements of the present or previous United States Secretaries of the Treasury nor from the remarks of the House Committee which heard the present proponents of the exemption in what they claim to have been an "exhaustive" but absolutely one-sided discussion. Congressional leaders are so commonly on record as opposed to tax exemption that it is doubtful if even the Federal Farm Loan Act could again be enacted with its exemption features.

5.—*To exempt new dwellings from taxation for five or ten years.*

This is subject to all the inequities and wrong principles involved in Henry George's so-called "Single-Tax." Even granted that it would create a form of wealth which would become taxable in a few years, building activity must of necessity create new expenditures by the public for the inhabitants of the new houses, and the cost thereof would only increase the burden upon housing not exempted. This exemption might well present a very attractive income to any investors able to take advantage thereof as of course the rents in the exempted buildings would be on a level with those still taxable. Rents will be fixed according to the laws of supply and demand in spite of any legislation which can be enacted.

6.—*To confer tax exemption on the bonds of the Land Bank of the State of New York (a private mortgage bank owned by the building and loan associations), or to make its bonds "instrumentalities" of the State Government or to provide an artificial market for its bonds by investing State sinking funds therein.*

The excellent work of these co-operative loan associations is not to be disparaged, but we question the propriety of selecting them for such a subsidy. If public subsidy is necessary for stimulation of housing construction, it should be extended to all agencies. The total resources of the loan associations are less than 10% of the real estate mortgage investments of the mutual savings banks in New York, and less than 5% of those banks' resources. There are in addition billions of dollars in real estate mortgages held by individuals, insurance companies and estates. Whether or not the Nation or State can confer upon private securities the advantages but not the responsibilities of its own obligations which are protected by the taxing power, by making them "instrumentalities," is so doubtful that decision of the United States Supreme Court in the land bank case is awaited with much interest.

Most serious is the fact that this scheme contemplates the issue of tax exempt securities, to compete with other private financing and also with Federal, State and Municipal borrowings.

Finally, the profit from the re-discounting operation will accrue to the investors in the loan associations.

From the loan association's viewpoint, this will be merely a step toward nationalizing the loan associations as proposed by the Calder-Nolan "Home Loan Bank" bill, and it will create a new and perhaps inflated relation between the savings and the borrowings of each locality—this latter being the main ground for the emphatic rejection of the bill by the New Jersey loan associations through their State organization.

C—USE OF PUBLIC MONEY.

7.—*State purchase of land bank bonds.*

This has already been mentioned under the previous heading. Such bonds are already a legal investment for mutual savings banks in New York, and about one-half of the amount sold by the underwriters was purchased by four savings banks. The interest rate on those bonds does not conform with the present value of either taxable or non-taxable securities.

8.—*To authorize the investment of tax funds in private dwellings.*

First, the injection of Government into this speculative activity will unquestionably stop all private initiative until the scope and success of the public operation is apparent. This precludes the remedy from being effective in the present emergency even if we concede the ability of Government to handle such projects either quickly or efficiently or economically.

Second, the mere fact that foreign governments have engaged in real estate operations or have extended the scope of their State socialism to include housing operations does not warrant any stampede in that direction by this country. The present housing standards of America and their constant improvement, for both rich and poor, are far in advance of conditions in those countries where private initiative has been destroyed through interference of Government.

D—REGULATION; PRICE FIXING.

9.—*To make real estate ownership onerous or uncertain as to profits; to limit the income from real estate investments; to place rented property on the dead level of a utility.*

The practical phase of all such proposals will be answered if each of us will ask himself, "Would I invest my savings in real estate investments (always more or less speculative) under such conditions?"

The legal difficulties are equally obvious so long as we have constitutions intended to protect what we have rather than to provide each with what he thinks he wants—to use an expression of Dr. David Jayne Hill. When Governor Lowden of Illinois was importuned to call an extra session to meet housing conditions in Chicago which parallel those in New York, he replied: "For the last two years the Attorney General has been searching for a way to curb profiteering. We have looked in vain. Relief laws passed in other States are of doubtful constitutionality. No one wishes, I take it, that I call a special session of the Legislature, with no definite program to submit and with the prospect that law, if passed, would soon after be held invalid. * * * The only thing I see now, is that you real estate men round up and discipline these rent hogs. It is to your interest more than any one else. If some correction of the evil does not come soon, it will mean, gentlemen, that a few more years and you will see your property impressed as a public utility."

Finally, the Congressional act to create at Washington a rent commission with power to decide the reasonableness of rent and among other provisions depriving an owner of the privilege of taking possession of his property at the termination of a lease, was declared to be a confiscation without compensation and not even within the war powers. It was decided in other words, that Congress has no power under any circumstances to take *private* property for a *private* use—and that is the net effect of many of the so-called remedies which are now proposed.

FOR THE SAVINGS BANK SECTION,
S. Fred Strong, President,
Leo Day Woodworth, Secretary.

Sept. 16 1920.

COMMITTEE TO DEVISE CO-OPERATIVE PLAN FOR MARKETING OF GRAIN CROPS.

The appointment of a committee of seventeen to work out a plan for the co-operative marketing of the country's grain crop was announced at Washington on Sept. 16 by J. R. Howard, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation. It is stated that methods of co-operative grain elevator associations in the Middle West and of the grain raisers of Western Canada will be studied, as well as the systems used in similar marketing enterprises by fruit growers and other producers. Two years of preparation would be required before a co-operative plan for the grain crop could be put in action, the Federation decided. Mr. Howard is quoted as saying:

I desire emphatically to deny that any policy or plan involving price fixing has been decided upon by the American Farm Bureau Federation or any committee appointed by it. We desire merely to evolve a marketing system which will eliminate useless handling costs, unnecessary selling expenses, ruinous price fluctuations due to market juggling and speculation, and to so co-ordinate supply and demand as to insure that, on the one hand, the producer receives the cost of production plus reasonable and living profit, and on the other hand, the consumer gets an adequate and uninterrupted food supply at the least possible markup over actual costs.

George Livingston, Chief of the Bureau of Markets of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is one of the members of the committee.

PLANS FOR MARKETING OF WOOL IN MIDDLE WEST.

According to press advices from Manhattan, Kans., Sept. 23, preliminary arrangements were made at a meeting there of officials of the Farm Bureau Federation of the Middle Western States to handle all wool grown in the United States. By resolution J. R. Howard, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation, was asked to appoint a committee to work out plans for a national selling agency. The New York "Commercial" in its advices says:

The first problem for the agency, it was stated, will be the marketing of more than 30,000,000 pounds of wool accumulated in the Middle West and Texas last spring by the growers and taken over by State federations when the wool commission houses refused to send buyers to sections where the wool was polled. The central association will attempt to deal directly with the manufacturers of woolen goods in the East, according to J. F. Walker, Chairman of the Wool Committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

FARM BUREAU PROPOSES CREDIT ARRANGEMENT WITH GERMANY ACCOUNT OF NEEDS OF WOOL INTERESTS.

The negotiation of a credit arrangement with Germany in the interest of the wool industry is advocated by the American Farm Bureau Federation, which proposes, so the New York "Commercial" said in a Washington dispatch Sept. 7, when Congress convenes in December, to ask that body to establish immediately a credit for Germany and other Central European countries equal to the fund now held in this country as the net proceeds of sales of the Alien Property Custodian, less existing claims. The following statement is credited to the Bureau:

Funds from this source which must eventually be turned over to Germany and her former associates mount well up toward a billion dollars and a credit of this amount can be granted without involving further increase of Germany's indebtedness to us.

At a time when we have surplus stocks of certain raw materials which Germany needs in order to get on an efficient producing basis some arrangement which will finance the transaction and transfer of goods is highly desirable. The credit suggested seems a feasible plan and has already been given careful and serious consideration by several Congressional committees. A bill looking toward this end would have been passed last summer, in all probability, had Congress not adjourned so early.

Wool is one of the commodities which furnishes an interesting example of the need of this German market. The world's reserve wool stock to-day, according to the best available information, is greater than usual. Where the usual holdings prior to 1919 amounted to about half a year's supply, or around a billion and a quarter pounds, the stocks now available seem to amount to about a full year's supply. But nearly all of this surplus is of the coarser grades. Apparently there is no real surplus of the finer grades of wool, the kinds which we use in this country for the manufacture of our clothing. The accumulation of coarse wool stocks seems to be a direct result of the inability of Germany and Austria to buy and consume their usual quotas. These markets have been practically closed for a long time now, and as a result coarse wool stocks have accumulated in all parts of the world.

About half of the wool produced in the United States is fine wool, of which every pound is needed for clothing, but, unfortunately, the presence of these vast quantities of coarse wool have been allowed to depress the fine wool markets also. To-day the wool grower cannot get on the open market much more than half what the wool cost him to produce.

Sheep men and farmers all over the country are holding their current wool clip in tremendous pools—usually State pools aggregating many millions of pounds each—and will attempt to get prices more nearly approaching cost of production. The negotiation of a credit arrangement with Germany would prevent enormous losses to wool producers and would be far-reaching in its effect in encouraging sheep men to continue in business and thereby protect our future wool supply.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMERCE AND TRADE OF BERLIN TO BE RE-ESTABLISHED.

In the interest of American exporters it is announced that the American Association of Commerce and Trade (American

Chamber of Commerce) of Berlin, Germany, is to be re-established. The Chamber of Commerce of the United States has been notified that a New York advisory board has been established for the purpose of re-organizing the Berlin Association. W. R. Steinway, 107 E. 14th Street, is chairman of this board. The Association will be re-organized to limit voting power to Americans, assuring American control. The outlook is hopeful that the men who are re-establishing this organization will be successful in building out of the old association an American Chamber of Commerce that will do good work and have the respect of all business communities. It is pointed out that there is a distinct commercial need for such an organization in Berlin at all times and particularly now when our Government has no peacetime representations in the German Capital.

PROCEDURE NECESSARY FOR OBTAINING MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Numerous requests for information respecting the procedure necessary for obtaining membership in the newly created International Chamber of Commerce are reaching the offices of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States at Washington. The constitution of the new organization, the National Chamber explains, provides for two classes of membership—organization and individual. The annual dues of both classes of members is fixed at three hundred francs, except that in the case of organizations this fee is used as a basis and is a minimum charge for organizations and entitled to only one delegate. An additional fee of 500 francs is charged for each additional delegate. In general the number of delegates to which an organization is entitled is fixed on the basis of one delegate for each 200 members of the organization, the minimum in all cases to be one and the maximum number of delegates, ten. Organization members will comprise National and local commercial, financial and industrial organizations representative of the interests they embrace. They must not be conducted for individual profit or for partisan purposes. Associate members will consist of individuals, firms and corporations. American organizations, firms and corporations seeking membership should submit their applications through the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

SURVEY OF U. S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF FOREIGN TRADE ACTIVITIES.

Evidence of unusual activity in the promotion of foreign trade, even in inland cities, is found in a survey of the foreign trade activities of chambers of commerce in various parts of the country just completed by the Foreign Trade Department of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The Chamber, in an announcement issued Sept. 17, said:

In many cases, it was found that chambers of commerce in inland cities are displaying as much interest in matters of foreign trade as cities along the seaboard. In such towns as Chicago, Cleveland, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Detroit and other large interior manufacturing centers intense interest in foreign commerce was shown. Many inland chambers of commerce have established foreign trade bureaus.

This study of foreign trade activities developed that organizations consider foreign trade matters of three more or less distinct varieties: Foreign trade matters of National importance; foreign trade matters of general importance in local communities; matters of foreign trade information and service.

Regarding the last phase of foreign trade promotion, it was pointed out by the National Chamber that greater use should be made of the valuable commercial and other information to be obtained from Government agencies.

The investigation showed that chambers of commerce indulged in twenty-seven various activities in promoting foreign trade.

LIBERTY NATIONAL BANK'S INVENTORY OF INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS.

The "Index," issued by the Liberty National Bank of this city on the 20th inst., contains an "inventory of industrial conditions" based upon an inquiry covering many representative concerns in diversified lines. Summarizing the results, the bank says, it may be said that only 42% of those interviewed report the volume of their sales as being "above normal." "Above normal" also, but in these cases meaning excessive, are cancellations, inventories, accounts receivable and transportation difficulties. Conditions are regarded by the majority of those interviewed as being "below normal" with respect to collections, supply and efficiency of labor. It is the feeling of the majority that a normal situation exists as to accounts payable, availability of materials, and labor supply. It will be noted that 65% of those interviewed are of the opinion that merchandise prices will be lower. The following is a digest of the replies, classified under the various subjects in regard to which information was sought:

Production.—30% report production above normal; 22% operating on a normal basis; 48% report production below normal.

Sales.—42% say that sales are above normal; 25% say that sales are normal; 35% say that sales are below normal.

Cancellations.—52% report cancellations above normal; 33% as normal; 15% report less cancellations than usual.

Unfilled Orders.—36% say that unfilled orders are above normal; 47% report normal conditions; 17% below normal.

Inventories.—68% report inventories in excess of normal figures; 20% normal; 12% below normal.

Availability of Materials.—17% of those interviewed describe conditions as above normal; 55% normal; 28% below normal; 100% of those interviewed complain of shortage of coal.

Labor.—9% report a present surplus of labor; 53% report the availability of labor as normal; 38% report a shortage of labor in their particular industry; 100% maintain that efficiency of labor is below normal.

Merchandise Prices.—23% of those interviewed believe that prices will be higher; 65% that prices will be lower; 12% that present prices will continue.

Accounts Payable.—19% say situation is above normal; 62% normal; 19% of those interviewed state that they are below normal in this item.

Accounts Receivable.—48% report amount above normal; 40% normal; 12% below normal.

Collections.—48% say they are running on a normal basis; 52% state that collections are slow, and that in a few instances it was reported that notes are being given by houses which heretofore discounted their bills.

Transportation.—92% of those interviewed complain of difficulties experienced, with only 8% reporting normal conditions prevailing. Of those interviewed 94% express the opinion, based upon their experience, that transportation conditions are growing better.

U. S. MORTGAGE & TRUST COMPANY'S FIGURES OF REAL ESTATE SALES. &c., 1914-1919.

Figures showing real estate sales, buildings permits and mortgages filed during the years 1914-1919 have been compiled by the United States Mortgage & Trust Company of New York, covering the following cities in which it is represented: Atlanta, Ga.; Birmingham, Ala.; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Tex.; Denver, Colo.; Des Moines, Iowa; Houston, Tex.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Kansas City, Mo.; Memphis, Tenn.; Mobile, Ala.; Omaha, Neb.; Portland, Ore.; Richmond, Va.; St. Paul, Minn.; Salt Lake City, Utah; San Antonio, Tex.; San Diego, Cal.; Savannah, Ga.; Seattle, Wash.; Sioux City, Iowa; Spokane, Wash.; Toledo, Ohio; Topeka, Kans.; Wichita, Kans. Comparisons for the years 1914 and 1919 are shown by the following tabulation:

	Real Estate Sales.	Building Permits.	Mortgages Filed.
1914-----	\$201,987,000	\$100,122,000	\$222,628,000
1919-----	390,073,231	141,863,445	310,226,658

The totals, it is stated, are based on daily published reports in the cities covered, but on account of the large number of transfers made at nominal considerations and the custom of understating building costs in connection with applications for permits, they are doubtless far below the actual figures. It is added that practically without exception substantial gains were made in real estate sales and building permits in 1919 as against 1914, noteworthy increases being shown by Cincinnati, Dallas, Des Moines, Fort Worth, Omaha, Seattle, Sioux City, Topeka, Wichita and Oklahoma City. In commenting on the general situation Frank J. Parsons, Vice-President of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co., says:

It is clear that construction costs and labor difficulties have made it almost impossible for new building to keep pace with real estate sales and the real demand for homes and business structures. This has resulted in increased borrowing and to a certain extent makes the real estate situation insecure and calls for careful watching. In the long run it may prove, however, that these factors are blessings in disguise, as they have prevented excesses in building construction and real estate speculation at a time when the mass of the people were little inclined to put any restraint upon their spending or the enterprises in which they were engaged.

ANALYSIS OF CONTRACT CANCELLATION BY U. S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

According to a statement issued by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States on Sept. 3, final analysis of the investigation of contract cancellations made by it shows that almost every phase of business is affected by this problem. Some industries it says are hit harder than others. In one division of the lumber industry alone, cancellations have amounted to 77,000,000 feet since January, or more than 3,500 cars. The survey reveals that these cancellations were largely by buyers. Some pertinent facts with regard to cancellations in various industries are furnished as follows by the Chamber:

Paper.—There has been a tendency to pyramid orders predicated on low production, these orders later being cancelled after deliveries began to improve. Again, there has been considerable cancelling where prices decline, working considerable injury to the manufacturer who has been reluctant to stand on his legal rights. There is a disposition in this industry to create a bureau to curb this evil in some equitable way.

Lumber.—In one division of the industry the cancellations amounted to 77,000,000 feet since January, or over 3,500 cars. These cancellations were largely by buyers and without any reason which would be valid in law. There were, of course, quite a number of cancellations because of inability to secure cars. No doubt there were also many instances where cancellations were predicated on decline of prices.

Machinery Parts.—Most of the work is done on special or er under an agreement which protects the contractor from loss in case of cancellation.

Building Lines.—Cancellations are uncommon except where for financial or similar reasons the project is abandoned.

Clothing.—Many cancellations based on fear that the public will not buy, induced by the general publicity attacking present pr ces.

Women's Wear.—Only a moderate number of cancellations and an effort is being made to educate the trade against repudiation of orders.

Machine Tools.—Cancellations due largely to inability of manufacturer to produce in time to meet requirements.

Pressed Metal Trades.—Cancellations largely on account of manufacturers using these products revising their manufacturing schedules, particularly the automobile makers. Most contracts so drawn that the buyer must pay damages in case of cancellations, owing to the fact that most of their product is made to special patterns or designs.

Furniture.—During the period of low production the demand increased rapidly, leading to over-buying and later, due to restrictions on building and housing conditions, there came a reaction in demand and a consequent cancelling of orders, particularly from those who had overbought. The industry contemplates taking steps, either through placing certain restrictions in order's and contracts, or by an educational process to secure more equitable treatment for the manufacturer who at present carries the burden.

Silks.—An unusual number of cancellations are reported, due to conditions in this line that have been given considerable publicity. The representative organizations of the silk people has a bureau wh ch adjudicates all claims for cancellation, with due regard to both parties to the contract.

Hosiery and Underwear.—The cancellations in this line have been considerable, the buyers apparently taking advantage of the manner in which orders are given and accepted. Steps will be taken to make these orders in future definite contracts, so that they will be more seriously considered.

In an earlier statement made public Aug. 26, the Chamber stated that most cancellations of orders are largely due either directly or indirectly to chaotic conditions arising from war times, according to a report on a survey of the manufacturing field. The percentage reporting that customers have cancelled orders because of failure to recognize the sacredness of contract, and the legal force and responsibility of an order received and accepted in good faith was it is stated, comparatively small. There is danger, however, the report declarés, that unless a definite stand is taken against any tendency to regard cancellation of orders as unimportant, and unless there is cultivation of a general feeling that an order is to be considered more than a mere memorandum, this evil may assume serious proportions. The Chamber says:

The investigation of cancellations was made by the Fabricated Production Department of the National Chamber in response to complaints from members that production was being interfered with, so much so, that plants having had sufficient orders to run for months, were curtailing their efforts or shutting down even though production of their product is below normal and stock in the hands of wholesalers and retailers are light. The complaints protested that the sacredness of the sale contract was being disregarded and that the buyer was willing to chance its legal enforcement.

To get at the bottom of the problem, inquiry was sent to 106 leading trade associations to learn the situation.

Some of the questions were:

Is your industry being affected at this time by the so-called cancellation evil and to what extent?

State most common reason given for cancellation.

Has, or will your association take any action in this matter? State what.

If your members accept cancellations, under what conditions?

Have your members in times of large production in securing orders, inserted cancellation clauses in order or contract?

Would you cooperate in a general effort to reduce the number of cancellations by proper methods?

In analyzing replies it was found that the responsibility for many cancellations was chargeable in part to the seller as well as to the buyer. Some of the chief reasons for cancellations are as follows:—inability to make prompt delivery; over stock; business declining; revision of production schedule; financial embarrassment. Some replies indicated also that the public will not buy at present prices.

The survey showed that several organizations have created a bureau of contracts, to deal with all claims for cancellation of orders. These bureaus act simply in an advisory way, receiving from the complainant a statement of facts as a basis for investigation, in due time rendering an advisory report, and in some cases endeavoring to secure a settlement if desired.

E. W. McCullough, who made the investigation for the National Chamber will hold a series of conferences with the Credit Cooperation Executive Committee of the National Association of Credit Men in New York, to try to devise, if possible, equitable means for handling cancellations.

Cancellations are not confined to this country as is shown by a report from Nottingham, England, that British lace and hosiery manufacturers and exporters have become concerned over the large number of orders cancelled by foreign firms. The Nottingham Lace Exporters' Association, which represents the lace export trade of the country, recently decided that no member of the association should hereafter accept any cancellation of orders without the special permission of a committee appointed for the purpose of investigation.

This means, according to Consul Calvin M. Hitch, that should a customer decline to accept goods, after having placed an order, he will not be permitted to purchase goods from any other member of the association until he has complied with his contracts. The hosiery trade is considering similar action. There is no disposition here to imitate these English methods but it is believed that the time is opportune to emphasise and stabilize trade ethics which make for fundamental soundness in business.

FRANKLIN K. LANE'S SURVEY OF NATIONAL CONDITIONS.

A statement making public what he calls "the first comprehensive, carefully-made and approximately accurate picture of industrial, agricultural, financial and political conditions throughout the United States," was issued on Sept. 21 by Franklin K. Lane, formerly Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Lane's statement summarizes a survey made through

900 field representatives of the Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland at Baltimore and purports to cover every section of the country. Manufacturers, merchants, chambers of commerce, bankers, lawyers, business men and farmers, it is stated, were questioned in the effort to mirror the immediate economic and political situation and obtain a consensus of representative opinion as to the future, the replies being made simultaneously by telegraph. Mr. Lane's statement in setting out his conclusions based on the report, says:

The large outstanding fact developed by the Fidelity and Deposit Co. seems to be that the greatest issue in the public mind is being overlooked by the campaigners—the high cost of living. I think this conclusion might well be justified, but the blame should not be cast upon the producer, and certainly the farmer has not received his share of the wealth which he creates.

The cost of living and foreign relations seem to be the main issues. Taxation and industrial relations also occupy a place in the general political thought. Least interest appears to be shown in the railroad policy of the present administration, radical movements, and prohibition.

It is clear that the country is on a sound economic basis, and there is generally a spirit of confidence in the future, regardless of the outcome of the election.

The business outlook appears to be good in every section. Wholesalers and retailers view the fall and winter optimistically. The retailer is finding that the consumer is looking forward without fear to the winter, and his purchases from the wholesaler are founded upon this optimism. From the simple toil up through the tradesman to the industry and the financier there runs the connected feeling of confidence.

Among other things, Mr. Lane states that "in no section of the country did the investigators find sentiment in favor of Government ownership of railroads, and everywhere better transportation conditions are reported." As to financial conditions the statement says:

In the financial field money is tight. That may mean several things: First, that the people want money badly to put into producing activities; second, that the banks attempt to get whatever the traffic will bear, shearing close to the skin; third, that there is an inadequate supply of money, or, fourth, that those who have money lack confidence.

There are other reasons, no doubt, and among them that as the dollar now buys less than heretofore people with money wish to charge more for the service that money gives. No one can accurately say which of these causes is the most important factor, but probably all contribute to the present situation.

The telegraphic reports from every section of the country state that the banks are well loaned up, although money is available in the East and Central districts at from 6 to 8% interest. The Southwest, Rocky Mountain and Pacific States report the highest interest rates, averaging from 8 to 10%, and in the Mountain district as high as 12%.

There is great encouragement, however, to be drawn from the fact that in only one of the nine geographical divisions, the Rocky Mountain, has there been a decrease in bank deposits during the last six months. While the general increase includes corporation deposits, individual savings accounts show a more marked improvement everywhere. This seems to show clearly that the orgy of spending and extravagance is over.

"The country" Mr. Lane in his statement says, "does not like the present taxation system. The Excess Profits Tax is in bad favor everywhere. Opinion is divided, however, as to a substitute. In the East and Central West, sentiment runs strongly for a sales tax, but elsewhere, opinion as to a substitute is divided." Noting that "we are not yet masters of the art of distribution of products," Mr. Lane makes the following comments:

The fact that the farmers uniformly report a desire for some co-operative method by which their products can be brought to consumers means that this problem is of the greatest importance. But it is not for the farmers' benefit primarily that such a movement must quickly culminate in action. The consumer feels that somewhere between the farmer and himself too much is taken for a service of comparative insignificance in contrast with that which the producer himself renders.

Under the heading of industrial conditions, Mr. Lane says:

Economically the United States is shown to be better off than any other country in the world. There is no evidence of idleness. Our people have the opportunity to work and are at work.

"Politically," he says, "the replies indicate that it is too early to tell what the outcome of the November election will be. Three months ago, there was a stronger Republican sentiment than there appears to be now. The trend has been, and is, Republican. What it will be in November these gentlemen do not prophesy."

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION OPPOSED TO PACKERS' PLAN FOR HOLDING COMPANY.

The plan proposed by the meat packers for the sale of their holdings in stock yard market companies to F. H. Prince & Company of Boston, and the formation of a holding company is opposed by the Federal Trade Commission, which in a report to the U. S. Attorney General on Sept. 17 asserts that the plan "will result in a greater monopolization of the stock yard services of the country than now exists." It will amalgamate, it says, into one holding company fifteen of the principal stock yards in which the different packers now hold varying interests, a single holding company owning all fifteen yards. The plan of the packing companies as submitted to the Supreme Court, was indicated in these columns Sept. 4, page 996. The Federal Trade Commission in its report says:

The Federal Trade Commission responsive to the duties devolving upon it under Section 6 (paragraph C) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, hereinafter set forth, hereby reports its findings and recommendations as a result of an investigation made by it of the manner in which the consent decree in the case of the Government against the five largest meat packers (U. S. vs. Swift & Company, et al., Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, in Equity, No. 37623) is being carried out as respects the stockyards. No other aspect of the carrying out of the decree is covered in this report.

The conclusion of the Commission is that the plan presented by the packers for divesting themselves of their holdings in public stockyard market companies, viz., by sale of same to F. H. Prince & Company of Boston, and the formation of a holding company for all these yards, will not secure the objects sought in this litigation.

There are two principal grounds for this conclusion:

1. The long-time stockyards relations of F. H. Prince with the packers have been such that the plan as outlined will not result, in the opinion of the Commission, in a divorce of the stockyards from packer interest.

2. The plan as outlined will result, in the opinion of the Commission, in an infraction of the monopoly law of the land greater and more serious than the existing infraction.

The facts as to the past stockyards relations of F. H. Prince with the packers are set out briefly in this report and have been shown in detail in Chapter 5 of Part III of the Commission's report on the Meat-Packing Industry, which traces the history of Mr. Prince's connection with the packers in the Chicago stockyards:

(a) In the formation in 1890 of a holding company (a New Jersey company) which paid \$3,000,000 as a bonus to the Armour, Swift and Morris companies on the claim that it was necessary to do this in order to induce them to maintain their plants at the Chicago yards for a 15-year period beginning with 1891; and which holding company has issued \$27,000,000 in stock and bonds without adding any new capital to its funds or the funds of its subsidiaries; and

(b) In the formation in 1911 of a second holding company, The Chicago Stockyards Company of Maine, by which the Prince and Armour interests by the investment of \$1,000,000 secured control of the largely undisclosed surpluses of the previously formed underlying companies aggregating upwards of \$13,500,000; and meantime concealed their connection with the transaction through the use of "bearer warrants," and of dummy officers and directors, with the result that the producers of live stock and the public authorities for years did not know that there was any packer interest in the Chicago Stockyards, nor did the stockholders of the New Jersey company know that Mr. Prince, contrary to the provisions of the plan to which he had secured their assent, was himself a beneficiary of the surpluses they had signed away.

That the plan now presented to the court will result in a greater monopolization of the stockyards services of the country than now exists is shown by the fact that it will amalgamate into one holding company fifteen of the principal stockyards in which the different packers now hold varying interests. A single holding company will own all fifteen yards. This will be a more extensive stockyards monopoly.

These fifteen yards handle 73% of the animals received at all stockyards markets in the country:

<i>Stockyards Proposed to be Combined—Per Cent (Based on Receipts of Live Stock in 1916).</i>	
Louisville	1.62%
Chicago	21.18%
New Orleans	.28%
Denver	3.14%
El Paso	.08%
Fort Worth	3.14%
Kansas City	8.95%
Oklahoma City	1.52%
Pittsburgh	1.75%
St. Joseph	4.41%
St. Louis	6.24%
St. Paul	5.37%
Sioux City	3.86%
Omaha	9.77%
Wichita	1.03%
Total, 15	72.34%

The amalgamation of the yards through this promotion by Mr. Prince not only will be a greater monopolization of the stockyards business than now exists, but it contains elements to strengthen the packing house monopoly until such time as the defendants are divested of their stock in the holding company by order of the court. The decree, while ordering that the defendants divest themselves of all their stockyard interests, permits a temporary retention of an interest less than controlling in the yards (if necessary in order to dispose of them on reasonable terms) or in any corporation organized to take over yard companies. The petitions of the defendants and the affidavit of Mr. Prince allege that financial conditions are such that they cannot now dispose of stockyards securities, unless the defendants retain a substantial interest. The offers of the contracting parties embodied in the plan provide for the retention of an interest of "less than 50%" in the holding company, but in no way indicate that this interest is to be other than permanent. At present the packer defendants show an ownership in these yards that amounts to 38% of the total voting stock outstanding. The plan permits the defendants to hold up to 49% of the holding company's stock.

Furthermore some of the family estates, trust funds, or members of the five packer families who are not defendants in this case are nevertheless large holders in these stockyards. The plan makes no provision for the divestment of the non-defendant packer interests, nor to prevent further acquisition up to the complete control or total ownership of the stockyards holding company by the non-defendant packer interests. The non-defendant packer interests own 17% of the voting stock of the 15 yards in addition to the 38% owned by defendant packers.

The plan provides that the old stock may be paid for half in cash and half in securities of the new company, but there is no limitation on the defendants' share other than that it shall be "less than 50%" of the total stock issue. At the lowest, the total big packer ownership (defendant and non-defendant) would be 27½% (half of 38 for the defendants and half of 17 for the non-defendants). Quite as readily it might be from 66 to 100% (49 for the defendants and 17 or more for the non-defendants packer interests).

In brief, though the decree provides for a total divestment of stock interest by the defendants, this plan leaves the way open for them and the non-defendant packer interests temporarily, and for the non-defendant packer interests permanently, to acquire absolute control of a holding company that will own 15 of the principal yards of the country, whereas now they have majority control of but eleven of the 15. The Chicago, Omaha, Louisville and Wichita yards, in which the packers assert they have only a minority interest, will be brought with the other yards, under a single domination,

with the packers the strongest force in that domination and, for anything this plan provides, absolutely controlling and directing it.

It is submitted that not least among the effects of this proposed plan, if adopted, will be a confirmation of the structure and methods of the Chicago Stockyards Company of Maine, including the employment of bearer warrants.

For the foregoing reasons the Commission respectfully recommends this plan be not approved.

This report is made and transmitted to you by authority of law contained in Section 6 (C) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, which reads:

"Section 6. That the Commission shall also have power . . .
"(C) Whenever a final decree has been entered against any defendant corporation in any suit brought by the United States to prevent and restrain any violation of the anti-trust acts, to make investigation, upon its own initiative, of the manner in which the decree has been or is being carried out, and upon the application of the Attorney General it shall be its duty to make such investigation. It shall transmit to the Attorney General a report embodying its findings and recommendations as a result of any investigation, and the report shall be made public in the discretion of the Commission."

A statement in which he said "the plan is intended in good faith to bring about an absolute separation of the yards from packer ownership" was issued at Hamilton, Mass., on Sept. 19 by Frederick H. Prince, following the announcement of the Commission's conclusions. As to the Commission's assertion that it would permit increased rather than diminished control of the yards by the packers, with a resultant suppression of competition, Mr. Prince said:

"The Commission overlooks the fact that the court to which the plan has been submitted has the power to investigate this aspect of the case and to impose such conditions as it may think necessary to make the separation certain and permanent." Regarding the charge that the plan means the suppression of competition, Mr. Prince said:

The yards are merely terminals and do not compete. There can be no competition between stockyards or terminals handling other commodities in different cities except in the sense that there is competition between the cities themselves.

F. Edson White, Vice-President of Armour & Co., is quoted as saying:

If the Commission has a better plan we invite them to submit it and they may rest assured if it is feasible it will be adopted. Their claims that our plan does not provide for real segregation is erroneous, but we will welcome any plan which satisfies the Government and is fair.

Here is an opportunity for the Federal Trade Commission to present something constructive instead of following its usual practice of destroying without replacing.

NATIONAL COAL ASSOCIATION ON OUTLOOK FOR COAL SUPPLY.

With the temporary suspension by the Inter-State Commerce Commission of the New England priority order, which called for shipments of 1,250,000 tons of soft coal a month to tidewater for trans-shipment to New England ports, the entire soft coal situation throughout the country is appreciably improved, according to a statement made public by the National Coal Association on Sept. 23. The suspension of the New England priority, which was ordered by the Commission, last week, at the request of the New England Coal Committee, makes it possible, says the Association, for a substantial quantity of coal, released from tidewater shipments, to be diverted to other points in the East and in the middle West. The diversion of this coal can be made, it is stated, without prejudice to the supply which New England will need to fill its Winter requirements. The statement further says:

Although the New England priority order is only temporarily suspended, every evidence is at hand to indicate that the New England demands for the remainder of the year will be met without further resort to preferential shipments. The estimated requirements for New England for the calendar year of 1920 are 22,000,000 tons of soft coal. From Jan. 1 up to Sept. 11, 15,480,000 tons had been shipped into New England. Of this, 8,094,000 tons went all-rail and 7,386,000 tons by way of tidewater. It is expected that the remaining 6,520,000 tons needed to supply the 22,000,000 tons for the Winter will be shipped into New England before the middle of December. The railroads have signified their ability to handle this tonnage in the ordinary way, in tidewater and all-rail movements.

Evidence of how effectively the New England priority worked is found in official figures submitted to the U. S. Geological Survey showing recent movements of coal for New England. Under the program agreed upon by the bituminous coal operators and New England coal distributors early in July a movement of 2,000,000 tons of coal a month, all-rail and through tidewater was set down. Of this, 1,250,000 was to go to tidewater, the balance all-rail. In July, 2,573,000 tons of soft-coal were shipped to New England, 1,566,000 all-rail and 1,007,000 through tidewater. In August, 2,458,000 tons were shipped in the New England movement, of which 1,048,000 were dumped at tidewater and 1,410,000 went all-rail. The all-rail shipments are estimated from reports of the American Railroad Association on the numbers of cars moving through the Hudson River gateways.

The fact that New England, at the beginning of last week, had all the coal at disposal that could be immediately absorbed in the tidewater and all-rail movements was the factor that induced the New England Coal Committee to advise the Inter-State Commerce Commission that the priority order was no longer necessary.

With the New England situation now admittedly improved so that special relief is no longer necessary, efforts are being redoubled by the operators, railroads and shippers to clear up the shortage in the Northwest, where the situation has been even more acute. While there has been a slight decrease in the last three weeks in the Great Lakes movement under priority order No. 10, the railroads are endeavoring to make up the deficiency, with the announced expectation of fully meeting the requirements before the close of navigation, about Dec. 1.

Up to this week the lake movement for the year aggregated approximately 13,900,000 tons, out of a scheduled movement of approximately 24,000,000 tons. The remaining tonnage must be shipped before the lakes become unnavigable, entailing a movement of over 1,000,000 tons a week. This the railroads promise to accomplish.

As soon as the Northwest program is cleared up ample coal will be released for the balance of the country, with every assurance that all the wants of the big and small consumers will be adequately met before Winter sets in.

While public utilities commissions in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan have expressed concern as to the wants of householders in those States being filled before Winter, it may be stated that there is no need for alarm. The Ohio situation recently has been taken up by the bituminous coal operators and the railroads, in conjunction with the retail dealers of Ohio communities in direst need, and a program developed to give an immediate supply of coal, sufficient, to last until the Great Lakes movement is out of the way. In the same way consumers in other states will be furnished with coal for immediate uses.

Householders need not feel it necessary to fill their bins with the entire Winter's supply at this time. By taking only enough coal now to tide them over Dec. 1, the entire situation will work out with no great deprivation to anyone.

COAL PRIORITY ORDERS EXTENDED BY INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission on Sept. 17, issued several orders designed to facilitate the movement of coal. Under these new pronouncements the Commission extended until further notice its orders giving preference in supply of open-top equipment to coal mines and to priority of movement of coal to public utilities, public institutions and ice plants; it likewise suspended the order giving priority to movement of coal to New England via tidewater and issued an order giving wagon mine operators practically what they asked for in the recent hearing before the Commission. As to these orders, the New York "Commercial" in a Washington dispatch, Sept. 17, said:

The extension of the orders as to coal car supply and priority movement of coal to public utilities, public institutions and ice plants was accomplished by the issuance of service orders No. 15 and 16 which supersede service orders No's. 7, 9, and 12. These orders would have expired within the next few days. The Commission states that the emergency exists which justifies the issuance of the orders.

It was pointed out at the Commission, however, that in service order No. 16, which relates to priority of movement of coal to public utilities, &c., that the new order eliminates those utilities or ice plants which do not serve the public generally. In other words, such institutions will not benefit by the order which reads as follows:

"It is ordered that, effective Sept. 19 1920, and until further order of the Commission, all common carriers by railroad within said territory to the extent that may be necessary in order that public utilities which directly serve the general public under a franchise therefor with street and interurban railways, electric power and light, gas, ice, water and sewer works; also ice plants which directly supply the public generally with ice; also hospitals, schools and other public institutions of the United States, state or municipal governments, may be kept supplied for current use, but not for storage, exchange, or sale, be, and they are hereby authorized to place, furnish and assign cars to coal mines for the transportation of such coal in addition to and without regard to the existing ratings and distributive shares for mines upon said railroads; provided, no cars shall be placed, furnished or supplied by any such carriers without written application therefor, showing that such coal is needed solely for the current use of the applicant and not for storage, exchange or sale, in order that applicant may continue its public service in daily operation; which application, in the case of public utilities not owned by some governmental agency, shall be approved by the public service commission or railroad commission of the State in which said plant is located if there be one; and all such applications shall be concurred in by the delivering railroads; and provided further, that such coal shall not be subject to reconsignment except to public institutions as above described, and that a written report of the cars placed hereunder shall be made to the Inter-State Commerce Commission by the railroad placing the cars, as often as once each week."

There was practically no change made in the order with respect to the supply of open top cars. The commission did not modify the order as requested by the steel companies, which asked that the order be made to read that "coal cars" should not embrace open top cars with sides less than 42 inches in height. The order as it stands reads "38 inches." The steel interests said that the modification requested would have released a large number of open top cars for the use of the steel industry, which has been suffering as the result of the car shortage.

The action of the commission, with regard to the New England situation was regarded by officials as reflecting a distinct improvement in the Northwest. The commission made the following statement as to the suspension of the New England order:

"The commission this afternoon suspended the operation of Service Order No. 11 until further order. This order gave preference for the shipment of approximately 1,250,000 tons of coal monthly to New England through tidewater ports from Hampton Roads to New York, inclusive. The action of the commission is based upon a thorough review of the coal situation, and was taken with the acquiescence and consent of the New England coal committee and because the coal situation in New England had improved sufficiently so that the present continuance of this emergency order is regarded as unnecessary. Whether the order giving preference will later be revived will depend upon the future course of coal production and movement."

The order affecting the supply of cars to wagon mines provides that:

"Upon any day when a common carrier by railroad is unable to supply any mine upon its line with the required open top cars, open top cars shall not be furnished or supplied by it to any other mine which customarily does not load or is unable to load such open top cars with coal within 24 hours from and after the time of placement for loading by the carrier, until all other mines have been fully supplied with open top cars."

The wagon mine operators asked that they be put on an equal basis with tipple mines and said they would be satisfied with a rule that would require that they load a car within 24 hours.

RESUMPTION OF WORK AT ANTHRACITE MINES.

Dispatches from Hazleton, Pa., on Sept. 23, reported that preparations were under way for a full resumption of operations in the anthracite coal fields, where, for nearly a month, the industry virtually has been at a standstill because of a "vacation" strike of the mine workers. Practically all of the mines in the Wyoming-Lackawanna district, with the

exception of the Pennsylvania Coal Company's collieries at Pittston, resumed work several days ago. These men and those in the Shamokin district were expected by union officials to return to their places within a few days. Following the receipt of a telegram from the United States Department of Labor assuring its assistance in adjusting any grievances the men might have after they return to work, the general committee of the mine workers in the Shamokin district voted on Sept. 22 to go back on Friday, Sept. 24. News of the committee's action was bulletined throughout the district, and union officials said they expected a full response. The dispatches also stated that the Pennsylvania Coal Company's men, who had been on strike against the "contractor system," had held a meeting that day to consider a new proposition submitted by the company, which strike leaders thought undoubtedly would be accepted. It provides for the discharge of all men convicted of graft, and promises that all miners who return to work will be given the same places they had when the strike began on July 19.

MASSACHUSETTS TO RATION ANTHRACITE COAL.

The State of Massachusetts took control of the distribution of anthracite coal within the Commonwealth on Sept. 23, under an order issued by Gov. Coolidge, by which the rationing of coal to the householders is to begin at once. The order directs retail coal dealers of the State not to deliver more than three tons of anthracite to any one family and to deliver no coal to any family that has more than one month's supply on hand. The order was made public by Eugene C. Hultman, chairman of the State Commission on Necessaries of Life, also Fuel Administrator.

The new regulation came directly after a conference at the State House of Gov. Coolidge, the committee of coal dealers and F. E. Dewey, transportation expert of the New Haven Railroad. Gov. Coolidge issued a statement apart from the coal committee's ration order, the gist of which was that there was no occasion for alarm, that he was confident that there would be no serious shortage, but for the public must "use coal carefully and not to hoard it."

The conference, which was called to consider the hard coal shortage, is said to have been a long one and held in secret. At the close announcement was made that the decision arrived at was to make every effort to get hard coal to Boston in train load lots, and then to have its distribution supervised by the special committee of five coal dealers. A dispatch to "The Sun and New York Herald" from Boston under date of Sept. 23 describes the condition of things as acute, saying:

The fuel situation, is critical, and Boston and New England householders are again on the verge of another winter with little or no coal in their cellars.

In this city the price—when one can get the coal—is generally around \$18 a ton, but in scores of cities and towns in New England one is compelled to pay \$19 and \$20 for anthracite coal. Even higher prices have been paid by cities and towns and by manufacturers to secure bituminous coal.

Few families can be found that have more than one month's supply in their cellars. Three tons maximum allowed under the rule sounds like plenty, but this rule is to prevent favorites from getting unlimited quantities.

The fact is, the average man is unable to obtain even half a ton or a ton and a half, and the situation is one that borders on panic.

It is predicted by dealers in many cities and towns that coal will cost \$25 and possibly \$30 a ton here before the winter is well under way. On the other hand it is being urged upon the authorities to prevent, if possible, the prices from soaring to prohibitive figures.

The Governor and his associates, in this fuel emergency, believe that if the coal producers can be induced to rush coal here in trainload lots and to live up to their contracts with Massachusetts coal dealers the difficulty will soon be righted.

LABOR TROUBLES ON A LABOR PAPER.—CHICKENS COMING HOME TO ROOST.

(From the "Virginian Pilot" of Norfolk Sept 17, 1920)

Like lightning, labor strikes sometimes in unexpected places. The last oddity of this sort has occurred in Washington, where the September issue of a labor journal, published in the interest of the Plumb Plan League, has been delayed as the result of a strike of pressmen and assistants. To add to the irony of the incident, the publication bears the name of "Labor." For once the strike chickens appear to have come home to roost.

It is a distinct novelty for the strike to be directed against its own champions. If there is such a thing as immunity from this evil, it would have been a fair assumption that an organ devoted to the interests of labor, and named "Labor," was safe. But it seems not. Even if it is all in the family, a strike's a strike—and there is at least one labor journal in America that is acquiring first hand information as to what this form of industrial war means.

ENGLISH TRADE UNION CONGRESS WOULD HAVE INDUSTRY PAY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT.

The demands of the Trades Union Congress, at Plymouth, Eng., are announced as follows in cablegrams Sept. 9:

The Trades Union Congress in session here, adopted a resolution today declaring responsibility for unemployment shall be borne by industry, and that in no case should the level of income fall below 85% of wages earned when in full employment. Power should be obtained to force a levy on industry to raise the necessary fund, the resolution added. The parliamentary committee was instructed to take a necessary action to this end.

By a large majority on a card vote, the congress decided to replace the parliamentary committee, which hitherto had managed national labor affairs, by a labor general staff or general council representing every distinct industry affiliated with the congress.

James Henry Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, said that the two delegates appointed by labor's council of action to proceed to Riga for the purpose of obtaining full information on the Russo-Polish peace negotiation arrangements were having difficulty in obtaining passports.

MEXICAN OIL LAW UPHELD.

The following copyright cable dispatch from Mexico City appeared in the New York "World" of yesterday (Sept. 24):

The Carranza decrees interpreting Article 27 of the Constitution were upheld to-day by a decision of the District Court in the case of the Transcontinental Oil Company, a subsidiary of Standard Oil vs. the Mexican Government. The Carranza decrees, which provide for national ownership of subsurface petroleum rights, require that claimants of oil lands declare their discovery to the proper authorities and pre-empt them, in order to establish title. In Mexican mining law this is "denouncing" the property.

To-day's decision is most important, for it was made in a test case. The court ruled that, where outsiders had denounced a company's property, after the company had failed to comply with the required denunciation proceedings, the outsiders had obtained title to the property.

The Transcontinental Company, which had failed to denounce its property, contended that, if Article 27 is applied retroactively, it is confiscatory. The Transcontinental will appeal to the Supreme Court of Mexico.

DEFECTS OF THE JONES SHIPPING ACT.

[From an editorial in the "Boston News Bureau."]

It is a peculiar situation, in both legislative and diplomatic aspects, which has arisen in connection with the new Jones bill to protect and promote an American mercantile marine. The law was passed rather hurriedly, and in the haste there apparently was involved in some of the "discriminatory" provisions which feature the bill a partial conflict of attitude and prerogative as between our domestic law and our commercial treaties with other nations.

Section 34 of the Jones bill "authorizes and directs" the President, within ninety days, to give notice of abrogation of any parts of treaties that restrict our right to impose discriminating customs duties or tonnage dues. The Act gives a 5% preferential to goods shipped in American bottoms, in addition to other preferential treatment as in lower railroad rates on exports and imports carried in Yankee vessels. But the President has let the ninety days go by without action, and apparently will await new amending action to be suggested to Congress in view of the effect upon some 29 commercial treaties more or less involved.

At first blush this might seem in part an easily stirred resentment of invasion of Presidential prerogative as regards foreign relations. It is argued that Congress really has no "directing" power in the premises, since the abrogating as well as the formulating of treaties is a matter solely of executive jurisdiction. On the other hand it is argued by some critics that the President's own signature to the bill obligates him to carry out its provisions. One Senator thinks there is involved even a liability to impeachment.

That there is in the White House a sensitiveness amounting to jealousy on the score of prerogative has been amply enough demonstrated in the matter of the Treaty and the League, as also in the veto of the Budget bill. But there is no need to weigh such contingencies in view of more direct and practical consequences contained in the situation as between law and Treaty. Other nations, some of them our commercial rivals, are not all pleased with the terms of the Act, as they have shown in informal protests and otherwise, and it is doubtful how far they would agree to omit any provisions as desired, or, if abrogation were insisted on, to reinstate other provisions.

Such protest or unwillingness has not been formally expressed as yet because these other nations have not to date been officially advised of the passage of the Jones Act by Congress; they know of its enactment merely through the press. So far as we are concerned the bill has become law; but so far as the rest of the world is concerned, the treaties still stand as made. It is an incongruous situation that calls for straightening out.

It may require some skill to alter the Act so as not to jeopardize any desirable features of the 29 treaties we possess, yet also to keep intact the value of the protections

intended by the Act. There had already been, mainly on the Pacific Coast, some distrust of these, as supposedly affecting local interests, but such sentiment—possibly inspired by alien interests—now seems to have been dissipated.

We now have in existence a considerable merchant marine—as to which the great need is the working out of managing and operating policy and a rapid divorce from Governmental control. We have provided shipping assistance equivalent to subsidies and other preferences. It is a question now of not surrendering any of these to retain advantages of other sort.

DIFFICULTY OF OBTAINING LOANS FROM THE RAILROAD REVOLVING FUND.

In a dispatch from Washington in its issue of Sept. 23, the "Wall Street Journal" comments upon the slow process of securing loans from the \$300,000,000 revolving fund provided by the Transportation Act "for the purpose of enabling carriers properly to serve the public during the transition period immediately following the termination of Federal control." The matter, it says, has been further complicated by a difficulty as to interpretation of the words in the law requiring the commission to certify, as a precedent to the making of a loan, "that the applicant, in the opinion of the commission, is unable to provide itself with the funds necessary for the aforesaid purpose from other sources." The Commission has certified to the Treasury its approval of loans to various carriers, including the Illinois Central, Chicago Burlington & Quincy, Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe, Great Northern, Ann Arbor, Delaware & Hudson, and Chicago Great Western, the certificates including a statement similar to that quoted above, with the addition of the words "except at excessive rates of interest," and the Treasury Department has returned certificates and held up several loans on the ground that to say that a road cannot borrow money from other sources than the Government at reasonable rates of interest is not a certification that it is impossible for the road to borrow money, and that, therefore, the certificate is not in the form required by the law. Continuing all along these lines, the dispatch referred to adds:

There is no controversy between the Commission and the Treasury Department on this point and the Commission has readily conceded the correctness of the department's view that it must furnish a "clean" or unqualified certificate, but the Commission is faced with some difficulty in accepting the responsibility thus placed upon it. This is because of the previous clause in the same sentence of the law requiring it to certify, as a precedent to the issuing of a loan, "that the prospective earning power of the applicant, together with the character and value of the security offered, furnish, in the opinion of the commission, reasonable assurance of the applicant's ability to repay the loan within the time fixed therefor and reasonable protection of the United States."

It is somewhat difficult to say that a company that complies with these requirements cannot borrow money from other sources, without some such qualification as the Commission had inserted with reference to the rate of interest, but the Commission, considering that Congress had intended to loan money under the terms of the law, had endeavored to give it a practical construction by inserting the qualification. In the case of the Great Northern it has since issued a "clean" or unqualified certificate and the company has got its money, but before proceeding further the Commission is seeking further advice.

It has, therefore, announced a hearing before Division 4 at Washington, on Sept. 23, on the interpretation of the controlling provisions of the Act.

Although the most critical part of the transition period referred to in the Act has expired, the Commission has thus far announced its certification of only about \$60,000,000 of the loans from the \$300,000,000 fund, and it now appears that some of the most important of the loans which the Commission has approved have been held up in the Treasury Department. Most of the delay thus far experienced in the administration of the fund has been caused by the necessity of formulating some plan for apportioning the fund among the various roads, and for various purposes. Further delays were caused by the desire of the Commission to make the available sum go as far as possible, by requiring various roads which were to receive assistance from the fund to finance a part of their requirements from other sources. In many cases the Commission has also imposed a requirement that the additional money thus raised should be procured at not to exceed a specified rate of interest.

JOHN H. PARDEE ON NECESSITY OF RESTORING ELECTRIC RAILWAY CREDIT.

The statement that "credit, vitally needed by electric railways throughout the United States, can best be restored by regulatory bodies making the rates of returns to lines more flexible," was made by John H. Pardee, President of the American Electric Railway Association, on Sept. 12. He also strongly indorsed the declaration of the Federal Electric Railways Commission in its report to President Wilson that the "first essential to the industry is to restore credit." The formal statement in which he presented his views was issued by Mr. Pardee at Washington, and he stated therein:

In the electric railway industry, as in every other business, economic law dictates that the price of the product must be based upon the cost of

producing it. In the attempt to regulate the profits and the service of electric railways this truth has been lost sight of, and the operation of these carriers has been so hedged about with laws, ordinances, regulations and contract restrictions that in the main their revenue has been controlled by the dictum of commissions and other regulatory authorities, while their expenses have been controlled by economic law alone, and have amounted as expenses in all other business and among the private individuals have mounted.

To restore electric railway credit it is essential that these artificial methods of fixing electric railway prices should be done away with. As the Commission well states, "public control must be flexible enough to enable them to secure sufficient revenues to pay the entire cost of the service rendered, including the necessary cost of both capital and labor."

The report of the Federal Electric Railways Commission strongly emphasizes its finding that the systems of electric railway transportation are permanent, essential to and must be preserved for the social and economic functioning of our cities and communities.

A very acute situation exists among the electric railways at the present time. The abnormal increase in urban population, which has marked the development of the country during the last thirty years, continues, as is evidenced by the latest Census returns. The problem of caring for these new millions of city dwellers is not alone one of providing dwellings, it is equally a problem of providing local transportation facilities.

The industry needs immediately for such extensions and betterments and for the rehabilitation of existing properties which have deteriorated during the war between \$300,000,000 and \$400,000,000 of new capital, and it will need for years to come an average of more than \$200,000,000 a year, exclusive of its refunding obligations. To-day the investor looks askance at electric railway securities, and it is practically impossible for these companies to dispose of either their stocks or bonds.

Under such circumstances it is no wonder that the Commission declared that the "first essential is to restore credit." No impartial investigator can come to any other conclusion and it cannot too forcibly be brought home to the American public that unless the confidence of the investor be regained the electric railways of this country, which represent an outlay of more than five billions of dollars, will cease to properly function and will prove of little avail in the solution of the housing and transportation problem which confronts almost every community in the entire United States.

Ordinary business common sense dictates the way in which this must be accomplished. The credit of the industry was destroyed because its revenues were insufficient to provide a return satisfactory to the investor and at the same time to provide surety that this return should be continuously forthcoming.

The social service performed by these utilities is their most important function and the public interest demands that no undue obstacles should be put in the way of the performance of their full public duty. They perform an essential public service, which, as the Commission points out, can be performed by no other means of transportation now in existence. They should not be weakened in their ability to serve the public by the competition of jitneys or city buses which cannot approach the complete service rendered by electric railways; they should not be compelled to bear an undue burden of taxation and public charges and they should be given freedom to put into operation every practicable operating economy that is in the public interest. Only in this way are low fares possible and the lowest fare compatible with the payment of full cost of service, including a return that will attract the necessary new capital in the interest of both the public and the companies.

The report of the Commission should awaken the public to the necessity of restoring electric railway credit, and if so the Commission will have accomplished a great work in the public interest.

H. M. ADDINSELL ON FINANCING OF ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANIES.

H. M. Addinsell, of Harris, Forbes & Co., a member of the Public Utilities Committee of the Investment Bankers Association, addressed the annual convention of the association of Edison Illuminating Companies, at New London, Conn., on Sept. 15, on the subject of Central Station Financing. This association is composed of the leading men of the electric light and power industry in the United States. Mr. Addinsell called attention to the fact that the problems of this great industry are the problems of every man, woman and child in the country, as either directly or through the banks, insurance companies, etc., practically every individual is directly or indirectly interested in the securities of these companies. He also said:

"Not only on account of the direct or indirect financial relation are your problems those of the man in the street, but also because of the economic importance of your industry, as the growth and prosperity of the communities you serve are directly affected by the character and extent of the facilities with which you are able to provide them.

"My theory is that the solution of all the problems of the electric light and power companies is the same broad solution that is the answer to the economic and industrial problems that are at present pressing the entire world for answer and of which the labor problem is an important and conspicuous example. That solution is very simple to express, but probably very difficult to achieve, and it is simply to arrive at a complete and mutual understanding of each other's problems which when arrived at will make possible, if approached in a spirit of sympathy and fair play, the equitable adjustment of our relations to each other. . . . All that the public utility companies wish at the present time is a square deal, and that is all they are entitled to, and if it is a square deal that means that the employees' and customers' sides of the deal is square also. . . . We may just as well face frankly the fact that the day of possible large speculative profit in public utility securities is passed. With the regulation that exists and the incontrovertible fact that these industries are an indispensable and permanent part of the economic structure of the communities they serve, they are becoming, and I think will become, increasingly of the nature of quasi-municipal securities. I look forward to the day when the public utility practice and financing will be so standardized and stabilized that the securities of these companies, at first in the larger communities and eventually everywhere, will command a market closely approximating—both as to level and ready marketability—that enjoyed by the obligations of municipalities themselves. I think that eventually some combination of the indeterminate permit and service-at-cost franchise will be universal. I perhaps should mention, however, that in view of recent experience, to be satisfactory such franchises should contain no maximum rate and should provide a cushion in the form of a reserve fund to take up

Black pending the readjustment of rates and thus insure continuously to the companies the fair rate of return on their investment that is contemplated by such a franchise. So the broad solution lies in frankly putting the cards on the table and letting the light of publicity shine on your problems and purposes. In the accomplishment of this educational work important progress has already been made. The citizens who are already familiar with your problems and who are interested in a broad way in addition to possible financial or other personal interest, and who approach the situation with a desire to 'promote the public welfare'—and it would not be very far-fetched to add 'to provide for the common defense'—of our country, are already on your side on the fundamental proposition of seeing that you get a square deal. The problems of your industry are the problems of every man, woman and child in this country. Let us place these problems definitely before them and I feel confident that in the long run we can count on the American spirit of fair play and the square deal paving the way to their final and permanent solution."

RESIGNATION OF PAUL DESCHANEL AS PRESIDENT OF FRANCE—PREMIER MILLERAND HIS SUCCESSOR.

The resignation of Paul Deschanel, President of France, which was presented to Premier Alexandre Millerand at Rambouillet on Sept. 16, was read simultaneously in the French Senate and Chamber of Deputies with the reconvening of those bodies on Sept. 21. Premier Millerand was installed as successor to M. Deschanel as President on Sept. 23, without the usual formality of receiving the powers from the hands of the retiring President. M. Millerand was elected as President on the 23, by the National Assembly which had convened at Versailles, having received 695 votes out of a total of 892. The complete vote was:

Alexandre Millerand, 695.
Gustave Delory (Socialist Deputy from Lille, Department du Nord), 69.
Scattering, 20.
Blank, one hundred odd.

M. Millerand's election to the presidency was foreshadowed in the Caucus action on the 22nd, when, by a large majority of the Senators and Deputies, he was chosen as the candidate of virtually all the groups and parties in both chambers to succeed former President Deschanel. Premier Millerand received 528 votes, Raoul Peret, President of the Chamber of Deputies, 157, and Leon Bourgeois, President of the Senate, 113. Regarding his election on the 23rd, the Associated Press cablegrams from Paris Sept. 23rd, said:

M. Millerand takes office for a full seven years. Future Presidential elections will take place in September at a time when both Chamber and Senate have been officially adjourned, necessitating the recall of all the Deputies and Senators. In his election to-day M. Millerand received the third highest vote ever given a French President, the election of M. Thiers being unanimous and M. Deschanel receiving 734 votes. Millerand's vote was 695.

On Sept. 20, Premier Millerand had agreed to be a candidate for the presidency.

President Deschanel in his letter of resignation said:

My state of health no longer permits me to assume the high functions with which your confidence invested me upon the occasion of the session of the National Assembly on Jan. 17 last.

The absolute obligation imposed upon me to take a complete rest makes it my duty no longer to delay announcing to you the decision I have been compelled to reach. It is infinitely painful, and it is with profound heart pangs that I renounce the noble post of which you deemed me worthy.

The duty of the President of the Republic involves at all times grave responsibilities. It demands activity and energy, free from all weakness, during the years when victorious France is called upon to reconstruct her domestic resources, meanwhile assuring abroad integral application of the treaty of peace so gloriously, but so dearly, gained.

I have persevered even to the last extremity, but the hour is come when I fall in what I owe you in not resigning my functions into your hands. At the instant when I retire I dare express the hope that the representatives of the nation, whose patriotic unity was a powerful aid to victory, will maintain in peace their union for the greatness and prosperity of this adored France, to whose service I have devoted my life and who shall have my last thought.

It will be the role and enviable privilege of my successor to glorify, privilege of my successor to glorify before the world within a few days the accomplishments of the Republic, which, after having saved the National honor fifty years ago, has brought back under our flag Alsace and Lorraine.

Sure of fulfilling a most imperious, as well as the cruelest of duties, I submit upon the desk of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies my resignation as President of the Republic.

The Associated Press cablegrams from Paris Sept. 21, in detailing the action in the French Chambers on the resignation, state:

According to the newspapers, Premier Millerand, if he is elected, will attempt revision of the constitution to give greater stability to the Government and enlarge the electoral college which chooses the President. He would have the college include not only members of the two houses of Parliament, but delegates from local elected bodies and great corporations.

M. Millerand also believes the President should be less of a figurehead than has been the rule in the past, and that that official should play a role of confident and cordial collaboration with the Government in office. In other words, his idea would be that the President should be like the head of a stock company, in which the ministers would take the part of directors, and the premier the managing director. He is convinced, it is said, that this plan would assure great continuity and cohesion in the executive branch of the Government.

In his address outlining his program upon entering office, M. Millerand said that it was not so much the dispositions of the French constitutional system which aroused criticism as its application.

"I dissent to guarantee of liberty," he declared, "is a division of powers fit to the Government. Each department should be independent in its sphere and should not impinge on the territory of another. Tyranny

may be defined as a union of all powers under one head, whether it be a person or an assembly. The responsibility of the executive power, which theoretically chooses and appoints, inevitably disappears the day when it ratifies decisions instead of freely choosing. These decisions are whispered in his ear under threats which are sometimes but thinly veiled. We must break with this system and give to each department entire authority according to its rights. The President of the Republic is to-day elected by 900 members of Parliament. Constitutionally he is not the creature of Parliament, but is really the first representative of France.

"Serious reasons rule out the election of President by universal suffrage, but between that method and the method of to-day there is a gulf which can without danger be bridged, in my opinion, with great advantage by considerably enlarging the electoral college."

Mr. Deschanel's resignation was brought about by impaired health, dating from May 24 last, when he fell from a moving train while from Paris to Montbrison, where he was to officiate at the dedication of a monument. Walter Duranty, in a copyright cablegram to the New York "Times" from Paris Sept. 15, referring to M. Deschanel's proposed resignation had the following to say about his failed health:

Some newspapers here declare that the President's health grew suddenly worse on Thursday or Friday. This is not the case. The facts are that at the end of last May, M. Deschanel, who had been greatly overworked and fatigued for some time, had a cerebral lesion—in plain language, an apoplectic stroke. The lesion was due to excessive blood pressure, and in such cases the first treatment prescribed is absolute repose and freedom from worry.

In a younger man this might have led to a complete cure, but with a patient over 64 years of age it was obviously impossible for him to resume the onerous duties of public life. Having benefited physically by his rest, M. Deschanel was reluctant to admit the need of retirement, but it has been for weeks common gossip in political circles here that he never would be able to stand the strain of the Presidential office.

ALAND ISLAND'S DISPUTE BETWEEN FINLAND AND SWEDEN TO BE SETTLED THROUGH LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

The agreement on the part of Finland and Sweden to accept the intervention of the League of Nations for the settlement of the dispute between them as to the possession of the Aland Islands, lying at the mouth of the Gulf of Bothnia, between the two countries, was known in Associated Press dispatches from Paris Sept. 18. According to these advices a commission will be appointed by the Executive Council of the League to investigate the question and reach an early decision. The Associated Press dispatches also said:

The acceptance of the Council as arbitrator is regarded by the members of the Council as a long step toward the recognition of the League by the Nations of the world as a medium for the prevention of future wars.

The decision of Finland and Sweden to accept the intervention of the League was taken at to-day's meeting [the 18th] of the Council, which was attended by Hjalmar Branting, the Swedish Premier, and M. Enckell, the Finnish Foreign Minister. The Council adopted the report of the committee of international jurists which had been appointed to determine whether the League had jurisdiction in the case. The committee determined that under Articles III. and XI. of the League covenant it had the right to act.

The action of the two Nations places in the hands of the League an International dispute which at one time was thought might lead to war, and the members of the Council do not disguise their satisfaction over the decision, which is pointed to as one of the strongest expressions of support and confidence the League has yet received.

A commission of three has been selected to furnish the League in the shortest possible time a report which will enable it to frame either a final or a provisional settlement.

In a resolution which was unanimously adopted the Council expressed the hope "that the forthcoming settlement of the question of the Aland Islands will be the basis of the maintenance of peace in that part of the world."

Premier Branting and Foreign Minister Enckel both expressed their approval of the course of the Council, and said they felt confident that a solution acceptable to both Finland and Sweden would soon be reached by that body.

Prime Minister Branting of Sweden is reported as stating on the 19th inst., that the League, through its intervention in the Aland Islands question, has proved its right to live as an effective means of preventing future wars growing out of International disputes. The Associated Press in Paris cablegrams, reports what he has to say as follows:

"I will not use the word 'war,' but the situation between Sweden and Finland was tense," Premier Branting declared. "The Council of the League, through its cautious but prompt action has dissipated the feeling and Sweden believes the Council will settle the matter to the satisfaction of both countries.

"Sweden has complete confidence in the League as a means of preventing future wars, and proof of this lies in the fact that we unhesitatingly placed our case in its hands. I believe the action the League has taken on the Aland Islands question furnishes proof to the world that the League, even in its present state, is an efficient world court for hearing International difficulties and forestalling conflicts between Nations. All that the League needs to make it a most effective and certain instrument of reducing future wars to the absolute minimum is the participation of the United States. Sweden and the other Nations of the world await the entrance of America with anxiety and the keenest interest."

Referring to Sweden's position concerning the Aland Islands, Premier Branting pointed out that Sweden never would give up the islands, which he declared are essentially Swedish. Sweden has suggested a plebiscite to prove her claim, the Premier said, but the Council has not yet decided what means it will employ, and three commissioners will make an investigation.

Premier Branting expressed the belief that the commissioners' report will recommend return of the islands to Swedish sovereignty. Their inquiry will disprove the Finnish contention that the majority of the islanders

are Finns, Premier Branting asserted, and the islanders themselves have expressed strongly a desire to be joined with Sweden.

M. Enckell, Finnish Minister in Paris, has declared that the League of Nations' conclusions on Saturday, when the Council of the League decided it had the right to act as arbitrator between Sweden and Finland in the Aland Islands controversy, and announced its intention of appointing a commission of three to investigate the question, were based on inaccurate premises, inadmissible by Finland.

With regard to the contentions of the two Nations in the dispute, the New York "Times" of Sept. 19, said:

Sweden's claims to ownership of the Aland Islands date back more than a century. They belonged to her up to 1809, when they were taken by Russia and attached to the Province of Finland. Separated from Russia as a consequence of the war and the Russian revolution, Finland now asserts that she is entitled to the continued ownership of the group. Sweden is setting up her previous ownership, together with the large preponderance of Swedish population in the islands, as reasons why they should now revert to her.

In the Spring of 1918, when warfare between the White Guards and the Bolsheviks broke out in Finland, and it was reported that the Germans planned to make use of the islands in connection with their operations in Finland, Sweden sent troops to occupy them.

The Aland archipelago comprises some eighty inhabited islands, with a population of about 25,000, a large proportion of which are Swedes. The largest of the group is Aland Island, which contains nearly one-half the population.

The dispute over the ownership of the islands has caused considerable bitterness between the Finns and Swedes, and at one time an open break in relations was feared. Sweden has been insistent upon the taking of a plebiscite to decide the ownership of the islands, and before to-day's definite action by the League of Nations the Aland question has been before the various allied councils in one form or another.

ACTION BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN CONTROVERSIES OF FOUR NATIONS.

The smoothing out of difficulties between four nations in controversies which at one time threatened to result in war is recited as the accomplishment of the ninth session of the Council of the League of Nations which adjourned at Paris on Sept. 20. In part, the Paris press advices in recounting what has been effected said:

Through its action in the Polish-Lithuanian crisis the Council succeeded in getting the two countries to agree to an immediate suspension of hostilities pending a settlement of their dispute, which both sides agreed to accept.

The Aland Island question likewise is considered in a fair way for settlement. A Finnish reservation which at first appeared seriously to cloud the issue was explained as not offering an insurmountable difficulty and as having been made largely for technical reasons.

League officials explained that although neither Finland nor Sweden was legally bound to accept the League's decision, they were morally bound to do so. It was further pointed out that a settlement "if backed by public opinion would virtually compel acceptance."

Count Quinones de Leon, Spanish Ambassador to France, and Baron Keishir-Matsui, the Japanese Vice Foreign Minister, have been appointed to represent the League of Nations in the settlement of the Polish-Lithuanian questions, and it is expected that at least a tentative decision will be ready for the approval of the League Council at its October session.

The Polish-Lithuanian accord came after the Council had passed a resolution calling on the countries to cease hostilities immediately. The resolution asked Lithuania to adopt the provisional line of the frontier fixed by the Supreme Council in December last and withdraw her troops from the territory to the west of the line, while Poland was asked during its war with Soviet Russia to respect the neutrality of the territory occupied by Lithuania east of the line of demarcation fixed by the Supreme Council.

Finland also ironed out her difficulties with the Council by accepting, with certain reservations, the report of the Council on the Aland Islands question, which calls for an investigation by three commissioners. These reservations as given out by M. Enckell, Finnish Minister in Paris, were that Finland retains the right to continue to maintain the viewpoint that Finnish interests are so interwoven with sovereignty over the Aland Islands that Finland alone has the right to decide whether there shall be a plebiscite. Sweden, however, is urging the League to hold a plebiscite.

SIGNATORIES TO VERSAILLES TREATY—MEMBERSHIP OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Advices to the effect that Rumania had deposited ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles on Sept. 14 were conveyed to the State Department at Washington on the 17th inst. This, it is stated, makes a total of 26 signatories to the Treaty which have deposited their ratifications at Paris. The list is given as follows:

Belgium,	Bolivia,	Brazil,	British Empire,
Canada,	Australia,	South Africa,	New Zealand,
India,	Cuba,	Czecho-Slovakia,	France,
Greece,	Guatemala,	Haiti,	Italy,
Japan,	Liberia,	Peru,	Poland,
Portugal,	Rumania,	Siam,	Uruguay,
Germany,	Jugoslavia (Serbs, Croats and Slovenes).		

The membership of the League of Nations under the Versailles Treaty is now thirty-nine with Rumania's accession. The official list of members of the League was given out by Secretary Colby as follows on the 71st:

Argentine Republic,	Belgium,	Canada,	Australia,
Brazil,	British Empire,	India,	Chile,
South America,	New Zealand,	Colombia,	Czecho-Slovakia,
China,		France,	Guatemala,
Denmark,		Greece,	Jugoslavia,
Haiti,	Italy,	Japan,	Paraguay,
Liberia,	Netherlands,	Norway,	Portugal,
Persia,	Peru,	Poland,	Spain,
Rumania,	Salvador,	Siam,	Venezuela.
Sweden,	Switzerland,	Uruguay,	

SENATOR HARDING ASSERTS NO AMERICAN CAN BE FOR LEAGUE AND FOR CONSTITUTION—WHITE HOUSE ANSWER.

In answer to a statement made by Senator Harding this week to the effect that "no American can be simultaneously

for Article X and for the constitution of our republic," Joseph P. Tumulty, Secretary to President Wilson, gave out a statement on the 21st inst. in which, in seeking to disprove Senator Harding's assertions, Mr. Tumulty quoted from utterances made by Republican leaders—former President Taft, former U. S. Attorney-General Wickesham, Oscar S. Straus and Herbert Hoover—on the article in question. Senator Harding's declarations were made at Marion, Ohio, on Sept. 20, before a gathering of G.A.R. veterans, the particular remarks which occasioned the issuance of the statement by Mr. Tumulty being as follows:

There is much dispute about that which is known as "the heart of the League." No American can be simultaneously for Article X and for the Constitution of our Republic any more than an American in Lincoln's time could be simultaneously for emancipation and for slavery.

Article X, "the heart of the League," to revise which is "to break the heart of the world."

Let me say right here, in passing, that I am a fairly sympathetic human being, and I wouldn't break the heart of anybody knowingly, but I would rather break the heart of the world than destroy the soul of the United States of America.

Mr. Tumulty's statement was given to the New York "Times," which prints it as follows:

In discussing Article X in a speech made at Marion yesterday Senator Harding said:

"No American can be simultaneously for Article X and for the Constitution of our Republic any more than an American in Lincoln's time could be simultaneously for emancipation and for slavery."

This statement of Senator Harding is very interesting in view of the attitude of the leading members of his own party on Article X.

In an article in the "Public Ledger" April 30 1919, Mr. Taft said, in discussing Article X:

The arguments against Article X which have been most pressed are those directed to showing that under its obligations the United States can be forced into many wars and to support burdensome expeditionary forces to protect countries in which it has no legitimate interest. This objection will not bear examination.

In the same article Mr. Taft gave additional reasons why Article X would not involve us in war:

How much will it involve us in war? Little, if any. In the first place, the universal boycott, first to be applied, will impose upon most nations such a withering isolation and starvation that in most cases it will be effective. In the second place, we will not be drawn into any war in which it will not be reasonable and convenient for us to render efficient aid, because the plan of the Council must be approved by our representatives, as already explained in the third place, the threat of universal boycott and the union of overwhelming forces of the members of the League, if need be, will hold every Nation from violating Article X and Articles XIII, XIV and XV unless there is a world conspiracy, as in this war, in which case the earlier we get into the war the better."

In another article Mr. Taft said:

"All who have pressed for a League of Nations to maintain peace and prevent war must thank God as they read the provisions of the constitution of the League upon which the Nations in conference at Paris have agreed. President Wilson is to be warmly congratulated that the League of Nations which he promised to the harassed peoples in his messages and addresses and has urged before the conference has taken such a form. It is a real League. It has clinching provisions."

Article X covers the Monroe Doctrine and extends it to the world. The League is not a super-sovereign, but a partnership intended to secure to us and all Nations only the sovereignty we can properly have, i. e., sovereignty regulated by International law and morality and consistent with the same sovereignty of other Nations. The United States is not under this constitution to be forced into actual war against its will. This League is to be regarded in conflict with the advice of Washington only with a narrow and reactionary viewpoint."

Mr. Taft closes his editorial endorsement of the League with the hope

"That a forward-looking Senate will not seek to defeat this grand advance of mankind toward a just and lasting peace. Now that President Wilson brings back to us a real League and has fully made good his announced purpose, it would greatly please this country if the Senators would give him unanimous support. Such action would be heard around the world with acclaim."

In another article Mr. Taft said:

"I consider that the moral effect of Article X on predatory Nations would restrain them from war as the declaration of the Monroe Doctrine has done, and that the requirement of unanimous consent by the representatives of the great powers in council before League action, would safeguard the United States from any perversion of the high purpose of the League. Moreover, I believe that the issue of the League transcends in its importance any domestic issue and would justify and require one who believes so to ignore party ties and secure this great boon for the world and this country."

Evidently Mr. Wickesham, formerly Attorney General under Mr. Taft, and who is now supporting Mr. Harding, does not agree with the Republican candidate that the ratification of the League of Nations and the Treaty of Versailles means that our boys "will be sent across the seas."

In an article in the "Baltimore Sun" he said:

"For, if Sir Edward Grey had been able to get Austria into a conference with the representatives of the other great powers over the Serbian question at the outset of the war, 1,000,000 dead men would be alive to-day."

There is another leading Republican, Mr. Oscar Straus, formerly Secretary of Commerce, whose views are at variance with those of the Republican candidate as to the burdens our country would have to bear under Article X. In an article appearing in the New York "Sun-Herald," he characterized the Versailles Treaty as "the greatest political achievement of the world's diplomacy." He said that Article X means the adoption by the world of the principles of the Monroe Doctrine.

Evidently, Mr. Hoover, who is now supporting the Republican candidate, Mr. Harding, does not agree with the Article X bugaboo, that under it we will be compelled to send "our boys across the seas." Mr. Hoover, in discussing our responsibilities under Article X, said:

"The League agrees that military force may be used in defense against invasion of one country by another, and the consent must mean the United States Congress on our side. From my own experience I believe that the discussion, negotiations, arbitration and enlightenment of public opinion, leading to the normal isolation of an outcast, will be all sufficient, coupled with the knowledge that other weapons exist. The hope which I, as an independent observer, have placed in the League is that it will forever relieve the United States of the necessity to again send a single soldier outside of our boundaries."

In further discussing our responsibilities under Article X, Mr. Hoover said:

"We hear the cry that the League obligates that our sons be sent to fight in foreign lands. Yet the very intent and structure of the League is to prevent war. There is no obligation for the United States to engage in

military operations or allow any interference with our internal affairs without the full consent of our representatives in the League.

To me every line of the Covenant is the complete negation of militarism. During the course of negotiations in Paris the fact stood out with regard to the League. The opposition there arose entirely from the representatives of the old militaristic regimes and from the reactionaries of the world in general."

Evidently Mr. Hoover does not agree with Mr. Harding that the League of Nations is a mere super-Government whose object is war, for in his Leland Stanford University speech he said:

"I am one of those who hold that this war would never have happened if the Nations of Europe had accepted the invitation of Sir Edward Grey to a conference of civilians in July 1914. I believe that if the intelligence of the world can be aggregated around a table, the pressure from these responsible men for a solution which will prevent the enormous loss of life and the fabulous amount of human misery created by war will be such that no body of decent men in these times can resist it. We have now seen the most terrible five years of history because the reactionaries of Europe refused to come into a room to discuss the welfare of humanity."

From this mighty political, social and economic upheaval there has resulted a host of outstanding problems which can breed war at any minute. The liberal world is asking us to come into a council to find a solution for these things. That world is not asking for soldiers; it is asking for our economic and moral weight, our idealism and our disinterested sense of justice. Are we not to take the responsibility that rests on the souls of these men in Europe who refused this invitation in 1914?"

WARREN G. HARDING COMPARES ENGLISH AND FRENCH TEXT OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS COVENANT.

A comparison of the English and French text of the language in the League of Nations covenant affecting the Monroe Doctrine figured in the address Doctrine figured in the address delivered to business men at Marion, Ohio, on Sept. 11, by the Republican presidential candidate, Warren G. Harding. Comparing the two versions, Mr. Harding said, "no one can fail to perceive that one text is the complete reversal of the other." As to the French text he said, "the intimation in English is that in the event of conflict concerning the two provisions, the League covenant must be made to coincide with the Monroe Doctrine but the literal effect of the clause as originally drawn in the French, in case a controversy arises, is the subordination of the Monroe Doctrine to such a degree as virtually to involve its complete abandonment." Here are Mr. Harding's remarks in detail on this point:

Because I am speaking to business men, and because they have a special appreciation of the importance of clearness in their contracts, I have a very special matter in mind that I want to speak to you about to-day. Incidentally, it ought to be said that one of the most important things in the relationship of men is the keeping of contracts. We must perform our legal obligations with great fidelity, and we must always hold our moral obligations as inviolable. If every one keeps his contracts faithfully there would not be many conflicts among either the peoples or the nations of the world.

The special matter which I have in mind relates to the ambiguity, or the conflict of terms, in a very important contract which it has been proposed that America shall enter upon with other leading nations of the world. If the agent of a business establishment should negotiate so contradictory an agreement an explanation would be called for very quickly.

Some of you will recall that Mr. Lansing, who was then Secretary of State, and who was in a position to know pretty intimately about what was going on during the negotiations at Paris, made the very frank statement that if the American people knew what the Versailles covenant would "let them in for," they never would stand for its adoption. It was for such frank expressions, and like fidelity to America, that Secretary Lansing was retired from the service at the moment of his highest need to our country. I want to point out to you, and through you to America, one of the dangerous things Secretary Lansing was thinking about when he was speaking for our nation. I am sure it is a contradiction that no business man would tolerate in a contract to which he is expected to append his signature.

The thing in mind is the consideration given to the great Monroe Doctrine in the League Covenant and the very evident possibility, if not, indeed a probability of the necessary abandonment of that doctrine by this country if we had entered upon the covenant as negotiated by the President. I do not presume to give you an explanation as to the sources of contradictions or the probable intent thereof. However, the plain facts are that in the first draft of the League Covenant the Monroe Doctrine, that strong declaration of a great national policy which we have cherished for more than one hundred years, was ignored entirely.

When the President made his brief visit at home, between periods of negotiations he discovered that America would never consent to "scrap" the Monroe Doctrine; that America was very strongly committed to the upholding of this doctrine, and held it in little less reverence than the American Constitution itself. So, on his return to Paris, the President made, or pretended to make a concession to the reverence of the American people. The concession was made in connection with Article XXI. The official copies of the League Covenant, executed by the various commissioners, including our own, were printed in both English and French, in parallel columns. The signatures to the covenant were appended beneath these parallel columns, and very naturally each column is presumed to express precisely what the other column conveys.

In the English text the exact words of Article XXI read as follows:

"Noting in this covenant shall be deemed to affect the validity of international engagements, such as treaties of arbitration or regional understandings like the Monroe Doctrine, for securing the maintenance of peace."

This is the quotation from the English text as proclaimed to America, and alluded to as the one outstanding expression which safeguards the Monroe Doctrine. But it really does nothing of the sort, for it is a very flagrant misrepresentation of what the Monroe Doctrine really is. The Monroe Doctrine is not an "international engagement" nor a "treaty of arbitration" nor a "regional understanding." It is a plain, square, fearless declaration of the United States which is a warning against European nations exerting undue influence or applying improper pressure upon the helpless republics of the western hemisphere, indeed, it is America's warning to the Old World against foreign aggression, for our own protection and for the protection of those who have a right to look to this Republic for an effective manifestation of neighborly interest.

But this is not the main ambiguity in the contract. The point I really wish to stress is the difference between the French and the English text,

which might very readily involve us in unhappy conflict. The French text is quoted as follows:

"Les engagements internationaux, tels que les traités d'arbitrage, et les ententes régionales, comme la Doctrine de Monroe, qui assurent le maintien de la paix, ne sont considérés comme incompatibles avec aucune des dispositions du présent pacte."

Translators say that the French is so simple and lucid that one can read it without being a master of the language and understand it perfectly. The literal translation reads as follows:

"International engagements, such as treaties of arbitration, like the Monroe Doctrine, which assure the maintenance of peace are not considered as incompatible with any of the provisions of the present pact."

Comparing the two versions of this solemn covenant, no one can fail to perceive that one text is the complete reversal of the other. The English translation pretends to say that nothing in the covenant shall affect the validity of the Monroe Doctrine, while the original version in French asserts very plainly that engagements like the Monroe Doctrine "are not considered as incompatible with any provisions of the present pact." The intimation in English is that in the event of conflict concerning the two provisions, the League Covenant must be made to coincide with the Monroe Doctrine, but the literal effect of the clause as originally drawn in the French, in case a controversy arises, is the subordination of the Monroe Doctrine to such a degree as virtually to involve its complete abandonment. The President and the other American Commissioners signed both of these texts in committing this Republic to the League Covenant. It is not difficult to see what the result would have been if the Senate had been driven into unqualified ratification.

Inevitably some question involving the integrity of the Monroe Doctrine would have soon arisen, with an apparent conflict between this cherished American doctrine and the League covenant. Americans would naturally have said "the doctrine must stand unimpaired, for the covenant says that nothing in the covenant shall affect the doctrine." Any European power might have replied in good reason, "No, the doctrine must give way to the covenant, for the covenant says nothing in the doctrine shall be considered incompatible with the treaty." Each side would have been right, according to its version of the language in the treaty.

The question, which version is correct, would of course, have been raised incidentally, and, in the words of Lord Cecil, the Council of the League, containing one vote from the United States, "would have been called upon to settle it." Can any one doubt that the decision would have followed the original French text, which is by universal recognition, the official language of diplomacy? America would have had to acquiesce in the demolition of her cherished doctrine, or go to war, contrary to her own solemn pledge, to sustain that doctrine.

One cannot help but wonder whether the whole thing was a trap to destroy the good, American doctrine of Monroe, to which this republic has been committed for more than a century. It is impossible to believe that the English version was intended to be an exact rendering of the French; no one will consent to believe it was meant to be identical in purport. In short, we were starting out with an ambiguity which, in itself, might readily be the first basis of controversy, and involve us with the nations of the Old World.

One wishes to be both charitable and considerate, but it is hard to believe that this very marked discrepancy was perpetrated without intention. Clearly, either America is being deceived or the representatives of America have sought to deceive the nations with whom we propose to covenant our peaceful associations.

I do not believe the President would have knowingly been a party to the deception of his own country, and I will not assume to say that the Commissioners of other lands have deliberately meant to dupe us, but there is manifest misunderstanding in the very beginning, which, in any business contract, would have to be clarified before any prudent business man would sign.

Wherever the fault may lie, whether it is the fruit of duplicity or the failure of intelligent understanding, it is very clear that only the Senate's demand that the Monroe Doctrine be explicitly recognized saved this country from a highly dangerous controversy, and probably has saved the Doctrine from complete extinction.

Those who advocate America's acceptance of the League covenant ought, in all seriousness, bring forth the explanation of this shocking ambiguity of contract. I only point it out to emphasize the fact that the acceptance of the League covenant, as negotiated, which the President and the Democratic nominee for his successor, have urged upon us "in complete accord," would have meant the surrender of one of the precious inheritances of this Republic, or in all probability would have involved us in a controversy with other nations and destroyed our peaceful relationship.

It is purely a matter of business prudence, therefore, that we propose to cling to our own freedom in International relationship, and enter upon only such compact of perfect clarity as will permit us to play our part in bringing about disarmament and commit the consciences of nations to maintain peace. Nobody is proposing to hold aloof from the onward procession of humanity. On the contrary, it is our part to be conspicuous in leading to new achievements. We mean to lift the voice of America to outlaw war and settle controversies between nations as become the devotees of peace. In seeking this great advance, we do not mean to begin on a foundation which is of itself an encouragement to controversy, but we want to start with that clarity of understanding wherein we know America is right and which may hold us resolute and unafraid.

SENATOR HARDING'S VIEWS ON LEAGUE AS PRESENTED TO DR. JACOB GOULD SCHURMAN.

Senator Harding in a communication to Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman, President of Cornell University, has stated anew his views on the League of Nations, setting out therein that "an association of nations for purposes of conference, and a world court with jurisdiction of justifiable questions, would, I am confident, now be accepted by all nations." Under conditions now prevailing, he says, "it is wholly possible to perfect The Hague Tribunal so that its determination shall be effective, and accepted without surrender of national rights." A request for an exposition of his views came to Senator Harding from Dr. Schurman who indicated that the request was prompted by the fact that a conference of college and university executives interested in international policies was to be held last Saturday (Sept. 18), and a message from Senator Harding would be opportune. The Senator in his advices to Prov. Schurman said:

Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman.

Marion, Ohio, Sept. 15 1920.

President's House, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.—

My Dear Dr. Schurman—Your letter of Sept. 11 is before me, with its suggestion that a word of greeting to the conference of university people which you will hold on Saturday, Sept. 18, might be acceptable. I am very glad to comply.

The difference between our attitude toward the League of Nations and that of our opponents is easily stated. President Wilson has twice rejected the opportunity to secure ratification of the peace treaty with what the Senate agreed upon as safeguarding reservations, because he insists upon the original Article X as the very essence of the covenant. The Democratic platform endorses this attitude and the Democratic nominee has unqualifiedly committed himself to it. We must in fairness to him assume that if he had the authority he would stand by this position. If he should be elected, indeed, we would have to assume that the country had given him a mandate to accomplish this.

The Democratic nominee has declared "in favor of going in" to the covenant the President brought back from Paris. I oppose going into that league. I favor participation in a world association of nations with an international court of justice, a tribunal that shall be governed by definite principles of international law. I favor a world association aiming at the practical expression of the consciences of nations planned to focus world opinion.

I am opposed to an offensive and defensive alliance of powers seeking to dominate the rest of the world. Even the other great powers which were to have been associated with us in this proposed alliance were themselves hesitant about accepting it.

I heartily favor an association of nations inspired by ideals of justice and fair dealing, rather than of power and self-interest. Such an association could and I believe would be potent in the effort to maintain peace. The Hague tribunal gives us the foundation of such an organization. Under the conditions now prevailing in the world, with the world fully realizing the awfulness of modern war, it is wholly possible to perfect The Hague tribunal so that its determinations shall be effective, and accepted without surrender of national rights.

I recognize that the world's peace is now to a great extent intertwined with the settlement of Versailles. From that settlement I would save all that is good and useful. An association of nations for purposes of conference, and a world court with jurisdiction of justifiable questions would, I am confident, now be accepted by all nations.

This plan we have been repeatedly assured by European statesmen, would meet their approval. Mr. Lloyd George has frankly expressed opinion that the League of Nations covenant might well be changed for the better. Certainly it is our thought to improve, to save and build upon whatever is good rather than to abandon the good there is and repudiate the world's aspirations for peace.

Viscount Grey has generously proposed that the Americans be intrusted with drafting a reconstruction scheme. It is apparent that the enlightened leadership of Europe wishes us to do this, and I should feel that to refuse would be a dereliction. As I view it, we have an opportunity to do a great service to the world if we will but undertake this effort which the world wishes us to undertake.

On the other hand, I cannot but feel that for us to continue insistence upon a plan which has proved ineffective, upon which our own people cannot unite, and which the world recognizes as incapable of preserving peace, would be to make this country recreant to a service which we really aspire to render to mankind. The Republican Party will not place itself in such a position nor will it surrender the supreme inheritance of national freedom and self-determination.

Sincerely yours
WARREN G. HARDING.

STATE DEPARTMENT ON AUTHENTICITY OF FRENCH AND ENGLISH VERSIONS OF LEAGUE COVENANT.

The following special advices to it from Washington appeared in the New York "Times" of Sept. 12.

Officials of the State Department, commenting on Senator Harding's statements at Marion to-day concerning Article XXI. of the League Covenant, pointed out that Article CCCCXL., of the Peace Treaty says: "The present treaty, of which the French and English texts are both authentic shall be ratified." Therefore, the English translation of Article XXI., as carried in the treaty, is regarded as the proper translation of the French text.

Officials added that there could have been no attempt on the part of the American Government to deceive the public as to the translation of this article. While the translation given by Senator Harding might be more literal, it was said, the English text as translated by officials connected with the peace conference, was signed by the commissioners representing all the powers and is, therefore, the accepted translation.

It was stated further here to-night that this same question had been brought up before by Republican opponents of the League, but had been dismissed as meaningless, inasmuch as even the translation, given by Senator Harding, did not change the sense or intent of the article as translated in the treaty itself.

SENATOR WARREN G. HARDING ON BENEFICIAL EFFECT OF TRANSPORTATION ACT—GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

A speech dealing with the Government's administration of the railroads, in which he observed that it might readily be assumed that if the experiment with the railroads and the telegraph and telephone lines had been successful the policy would have been made permanent, was delivered by Senator Warren G. Harding at Marion, Ohio, on the 13th inst. before a gathering of trainmen, shopmen and clerks. In making the statement that "the railroads were taken over for the war, to put them utterly under the command of Government agents. Senator Harding continued in part:

Undoubtedly there was back of the movement the insistent forces in our country who believe in Government ownership of railways. War seemed to offer the opportunity for the application of their theories of Government, and I sometimes suspect the taking over of the railroads was more impelled by the thought of modifying our Government policy than the developing of a better service for the conduct of the war.

This suggestion was later on confirmed by the insistence of the Administration that it be given authority to take over the telephone and telegraph

lines. When Congress voted a grant of authority to take over the telephone and telegraph lines it was expressly stipulated that no such seizure would be made unless the exigencies of war urgently required it, but after the authority was given, without a new exigency having arisen and without a single new condition of peril, the telephone and telegraph lines were seized, because an Administration was in power which was disposed to take advantage of the anxieties of people while involved in war to completely revolutionize our Government policy in dealing with these public utilities.

If the experiment with the railroads and these communication lines had been successful, it reasonably may be assumed that the policy would have been made permanent. Such was the undoubted intent of the present Administration. The experiment, however, did not have the effect of committing the country to the policy of Government ownership. We were already enormously in debt, and the purchase of the railroads and communication lines involved so stupendous a sum that no sane Government would contemplate the purchase and financially disastrous Government operation.

The Administration found itself without a policy. There was a very deep concern everywhere as to whether the railway lines would be handed back to their owners in a condition of chaos, or whether Congress could work out a plan to return them and perform the Government's proper part in aiding to restore them to efficient service and the necessary solvency to continue their development and effective operation.

Congress found itself confronted with this very serious problem, which involved the effectiveness of that transportation on which all the country relies, and Congress gave very earnest and solemn thought to the solution of the problem. No one can dispute there was considerable haste, in view of the extreme importance of the task, but legislation had to be speeded to avoid a National disaster.

The outcome was the enactment of what is known as the Cummins-Esch law. The law is not precisely the thing proposed by the lower house of Congress, nor is it the Senate's conception of the best plan for restoring the railroads to their owners under certain necessary provisions of government regulation.

Like all cases in which there is a conflict between House and Senate, the Cummins-Esch law is a compromise which harmonizes the two. I do not venture to say that the law is perfect, or that it is the final word in government regulation and co-operation. I do insist that the measure represents the best expression of Congress which could be worked out in the time at the command of the two houses, and that it has made the just restoration of the railway properties to their owners, and has happily provided the means and fixed a policy under which the railroads can be restored to that degree of efficiency which is so essential to the requirements of service to our common country.

The law effecting the restoration includes the best provisions which we had developed in the period of regulation which existed prior to the Government seizure. In some respects we have gone much further, and in many ways we have enlarged the Government control, and at the same time we have taken into new consideration the necessary concern of the country for railway improvement.

As a simple matter of truth, under the new regime we have an Inter-State Commerce Commission with enlarged authority; we have recognized the necessity of granting the railways a compensation for service which will enable them to live; we have put an end to financial exploitation; we have put a limit on capital issues; we have even gone so far as to put a limit on the return which railway capital may earn.

At this point I must emphasize one of the gross misunderstandings relating to the Cummins-Esch Law. It did not provide for a permanent Government guarantee of dividends on railway capital. On the contrary, it placed a limit on these dividends. It did provide for a maintenance of rates for a period of six months, which would guarantee a sufficient railway earning to make possible the financing of necessary railway improvements under the control of their owners. But this guarantee of a 5½% earning was limited to the period of transition of six months' duration, and was universally recognized as being necessary because of the admitted failure of the Government to maintain the railways in a state of preparedness for efficient service.

Hundreds of millions were known to be necessary to provide new rolling stock and motive power, and we have already had most convincing proof of the inadequacy of railway transportation to our present day needs. Coal transportation affords a striking example. If we had returned the railroads without this temporary guarantee of earnings, which would permit them to finance their necessary improvements, in all probability the great American system would have broken down entirely.

It ought to be said in passing that Congress was not thinking alone of the owners in providing for this period of transition. When we guaranteed the stockholders a return on their property for the first six months we also stipulated that there should be no reduction of American railway wages during that same period. In other words, we gave the American railway workman precisely the same guarantee that we gave to the American owners, and in neither case was this done with a sole thought of owners or of workmen, but Congress was thinking of the welfare of all the American people.

I have already alluded to the restrictions which the Government has placed upon railway capital, railway rates and railway earnings. It is the simple truth. We have eliminated every speculative phase of railway operation until the railway business has become an extremely conservative one, with nothing left to inspire efficiency and pride in management except that of competition in service. We have taken away that impelling force known as money making and reduced railway operation to a service to the American people with a very limited return made possible on capital employed. There does remain that competition which may aim at superiority in service, and through that a genuine railway genius and talent may continue to appeal for the approval of their constituency and the American people generally.

Naturally this enactment did not appeal to those radical advocates of railway ownership or those socialistic theorists who thought the railways ought to be seized by the Government and placed at the disposal of the railway workers for permanent operation and profit. Congress felt an abiding obligation to restore the property seized for war to those who held title thereto.

I do not believe America will ever consent to seize the righteously-owned property of any citizen to place it in the hands of another. This would be a violation of the very fundamental of civil liberty and would take away from all men the inspiration to acquire, because the protection of honest acquirement is the thing which inspires men to do and achieve and leads to that wholesome ambition for possession which is the impelling force in all our activities.

I like to speak of these things to wage-earners because I know that the workman most worth while is the one who aspires not only to acquire for himself, but is ever thinking of doing better for his children than he has ever been able to do for himself; and we would paralyze America, if we were to adopt the policy of seizing property lawfully owned to bestow it on others at the will of any group which temporarily finds itself in a position of great influence. Every man has the right to an inspiration to acquire, and he has also the right to expect his Government to protect him in his righteous acquirements.

I say it deliberately, I think the Cummins-Esch law the most considerate piece of legislation ever enacted in the protection of any group of workmen in the United States.

The Government has fixed a tribunal in which the workmen are given equal representation with their employers, a tribunal to hear and adjust all disputes, all wage demands and grievances. And back of this tribunal is the power of the United States Government eager to support the just demand of labor and to grant to it immediate and ample justice.

While the law was pending I talked to a group of labor representatives about the fairness of this provision, and they all agreed that it was ideal, that it constituted a distinct advance, and when asked to say why it should not be the decision of Congress their only reply was that they did not have faith in our Government. The reply to them was, as it shall be to you today: It is ours to maintain a Government in which every citizen shall have unfaltering faith.

Frankly men, I think that the Cummins-Esch law has brought to you a protection, along with an expression of Government concern which has never been espoused in a legislative enactment heretofore and has given you a new charter of freedom under which to continue your activities.

I think it is an extremely important thing that the railroad workmen are insured against the uncertain operations of that natural law of supply and demand which often interrupts employment and that your relationship to your employment is based upon the consideration of humanity and justice.

If any man thinks this policy is unfriendly to labor he has not stopped to contemplate the spirit of the enactment. There is not an anti-union suggestion in it. It does not even decree compulsory arbitration. But it does open the way to a complete revelation of all differences and puts irresistible public opinion back of an immediate and just settlement.

It cost America \$1,000,000,000 to make the Government operation experiment in war, and no one can say that it would have cost less to make a like experiment in peace. During the experiment of Government operation the deterioration in railway property was a billion more, and the whole adventure brought a crushing obligation to the Government and the people who pay the Government's obligations. Our big task is to liquidate the loss and start afresh.

It is a matter of very great gratification that the Cummins-Esch law saved us from the collapse of railway securities and has permitted a promising beginning of the necessary restoration. We have not yet recovered the efficiency for which the country is calling, but that must be worked out in a spirit of co-operation between management and employees.

GOVERNOR COX, DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE, SEES COURT OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE AS PART OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Speaking at the Mormon Tabernacle at Salt Lake City, Utah, on Sept. 15, Governor James M. Cox, the Democratic nominee, referred to the plans for a Court of International Justice as reported in the press advices from Paris, and in arguing that these plans further tend to confound Senator Harding, and other Republican opponents stated that it (the Court), "now appears as an essential part of the League, and one which, without the League, would have no standing whatever." In part Gov. Cox said:

In a mad effort finally to offer some substitute to the people of this country who ardently desire the blessings of peace, the candidate of the opposition [Senator Harding] in his speech of Aug. 28 made the suggestion that a world court of justice be established for the purpose of settling disputes; that they be settled, moreover, by fixed and definite principles of law. Later there were hints from Marion that such a court was being organized by Elihu Root, which was to be a substitute for the League of Nations.

To-day we learn that the Commission, of which Mr. Root is a member, has made its report, establishing a world court for the adjudication of questions according to rules of law. We find, however, that this court is a part of the League Covenant; that Mr. Root and his colleagues were appointed by the Council of the League; that they made their report to the Council of the League and this report is now to be submitted to the various members of the League. Furthermore, it appears that the judges of the court are to be chosen by the Council and the Assembly of the League, and their salaries are to be paid by the League.

It is apparent, therefore, that this court of International justice, which Mr. Harding hoped would be a substitute for the League of Nations, now appears as an essential part of the League, and one which without the League would have no standing whatever.

This limb having been cut off, Mr. Harding sitting on the end, we may confidently look forward to another frantic effort from Marion in an attempt to confuse the public and to keep both Senator Johnson, who is against any kind of a League, and Elihu Root, who is not only for the League but has performed valiant services for the existing League, for the party candidate.

GOVERNOR COX ON DEMOCRATIC ATTITUDE TOWARD JAPANESE QUESTION.

In a discussion of the Japanese question at San Francisco on Sept. 17, James M. Cox, the Democratic nominee for President, pledged the genuine co-operation of the National Government in the working out of a plan whereby the State of California proposed to exclude the Oriental settler from land ownership. The Governor's remarks were drawn forth in a criticism of the views of his opponent for President, Senator Harding, on the Japanese issue; and in part the Governor said:

Prior to the coming of the Western contingent, Senator Harding, in his advance speech which was already in the hands of the newspapers, expressed himself for a new "understanding" between Japan and the United States. This meant but one thing; a new arrangement between the two countries on the question of immigration. You people in California know what the present status is. Senator Harding, prior to the coming of Governor Stephens, announced a change and the change clearly was to be a modification of existing compacts.

A complete reversal was witnessed after a conference between Governor Stephens and Senator Harding. The latter, by spoken word, said that in favoring "assimilability of alien born," we must hold to "a full consecration to American prices and ideals." In this country you will catch the fine

distinction and you will see that the Marion position was one thing one day and quite another the day after.

I repeat again what was said in my speech of acceptance, that this is not time for wobbling.

The Democratic platform on the subject of Asiatic immigration says:

"The policy of the United States with reference to the non-admission of Asiatic immigrants is a true expression of the judgment of our people, and to the several States whose geographical situation or internal conditions make this policy and the enforcement of the laws enacted pursuant thereto of particular concern we pledge our support."

My interpretation is that California objects to land owned within her borders by Orientals. The fundamental principle of the Democratic Party is that the States shall exercise every right in the determination of their domestic policies which they may properly exercise within the Constitution of the United States. To the United States is reserved the treaty-making power establishing the relation of the Nation as a whole with friendly nations. California should not ask, and I am sure does not ask, for any procedure in the Oriental settlement problem which cannot be accommodated to the general policy of the Government in harmoniously working out such agreements as must be made with friendly nations. At the same time, if California does not desire her lands to come into the possession of Orientals, she may expect, in consequence with the established Democratic principle, the genuine co-operation of the National Government in the working out of a plan whereby she excludes the Oriental settler. There is nothing evasive about this. It constitutes a flat offer of co-operation in any decent settlement of this question.

In a further allusion to the Japanese issue, it is learned from a "Times" dispatch, Governor Cox, in a statement made at the Convention Hall at San Francisco Sept. 17, said:

Some one said, "America first." Yes, and every part of America. I know what your thought is with reference to foreign ownership of land. God Almighty intended this hemisphere, this continent, which is now called America, to be the experimental field for the sons of men throughout all time, and when Christopher Columbus discovered it the Almighty pulled back the curtain, and then and there was staged the greatest drama in all the history of the world.

And here, under the inspiration of the hour, the fertile fields, the forests, the mineral resources were made a part of the reclamation of a great continent. And the our fathers institute a democracy form of Government, not only for the benefit, the happiness, the improvement of our children and our children's children, but as an inspiration to all the peoples of the earth as well. And God Almighty provided that the fathers of America should be white men. They builded the ideals upon which a republic has lived, and those ideals will be maintained, and those from other shores who are not disposed to subscribe to that doctrine have the privilege of going back whence they came.

Again, in referring to the same question at Long Beach on Sept. 21, the Governor stated that his policy as President would be to permit the State of California, as mostly interested, to have the leading voice in the fixing of the National policy toward Oriental races.

GOVERNOR COX TO MEET ALL REASONABLE LEAGUE RESERVATIONS.

A telegram sent by Gov. Cox to Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale, in which the former made known his determination in the event of his election as President to secure the earliest possible entrance of the United States into the League of Nations, was made public on September 17. In his message the Governor also said that he would "endeavor to meet all reasonable desires for proper reservations which are offered in sincerity." According to advices from Reno Sept. 16 to the New York "Times" the telegram was sent in response to the message from Professor Fisher, who has organized a movement among independent voters, favoring the entrance of the United States into the League. Professor Fisher, it is stated, spoke of a statement by ex-President Taft that the election of Cox would mean an uncompromising attitude on both sides in relation to ratification of the treaty. In his telegram to Professor Fisher, Governor Cox said:

I am determined to secure the earliest possible entrance into the League of Nations, with the least possible delay and with the least possible reservations needed to accomplish that result.

The platform adopted by the convention at which I was nominated permits reservations which will clarify and reassure our people and is opposed only to reservations which will nullify and destroy. I have no doubt that the Republican and Democratic Senators alike will loyally fulfill the people's mandate which my election will signify.

I shall endeavor to meet all reasonable desires for proper reservations which are offered in sincerity and not merely presented as trumped up for political purposes. My heart is in this fight and I will put forth all effort and make any reasonable concession to win it, that we may secure membership in the League for America.

SENATOR WARREN G. HARDING ON REPUBLICAN PARTY'S PLEDGES IN BEHALF OF FARMERS.

Talking to a delegation at the Minnesota State Fair at St. Paul on Sept. 8 Senator Warren G. Harding declared "The time has come, when, as a Nation, we must determine upon a definite agricultural policy." We must, he said, "decide whether we shall undertake to make the United States a self-sustaining nation—which means that we shall grow within our own boundaries all of the staple food products needed to maintain the highest type of civilization—or whether we shall continue to exploit our agricultural resources for the benefit of our industrial and commercial life, and leave to posterity the task of finding food enough, by strong-arm methods, if necessary, to support the coming hundreds of millions. I believe in the self-sustaining,

independent, self-reliant nation, agriculturally, industrially and politically. We are then the guarantors of our own security and are equal to the task." Some of the things which ought to be done if we are to put our agriculture on a sound foundation have, Senator Harding noted, been mentioned in the National platform of the party to whose pledges he is committed, and in a recital of these he said:

Farm Representation.

First, the need of farm representation in larger governmental affairs is recognized. During the past seven years the right of agriculture to a voice in governmental administration has been practically ignored, and, at times, the farmer has suffered grievously as a result. The farmer has a vital interest in our trade relations with other countries, in the administration of our financial policies, and in many of the larger activities of the government. His interests must be safeguarded by men who understand his needs, he must be actually and practically represented.

Second, the right of farmers to form co-operative associations for the marketing of their products must be granted. The concert of agriculture is as essential to farms as a similar concert of action is to factories.

Scientific Study.

Third, the Republican party pledges itself to a scientific study of agricultural prices and farm production costs, both at home and abroad with a view to reducing the frequency of abnormal fluctuations here. Stabilization will contribute to everybody's confidence. Farmers have complained bitterly of the frequent and violent fluctuations in prices of farm products, and especially in prices of live stock. They do not find fluctuations—such fluctuations—in the products of other industries. In a general way prices of farm products must go up or down according to whether there is a plentiful crop or a short one. The farmer's raw materials are the fertility of the soil, the sunshine and the rain; and the size of his crops is measured by the supply of these raw materials and the skill with which he makes use of them. He can not control his production and adjust it to the demand as can the manufacturer. But he can see no good reason why the prices of his products should fluctuate so violently from week to week, and sometimes from day to day. We must get a better understanding of the factors which influence agricultural prices, with a view to avoiding these violent fluctuations and bring about average prices, which shall bear a reasonable relation to the cost of production. We do not offer any quack remedies in this matter, but we do pledge ourselves to make a thorough study of the disease, find out what causes it, and then apply the remedy which promises a cure.

To Stop Price-Fixing.

Fourth, we promise to put an end to unnecessary price-fixing of farm products and to ill-considered efforts arbitrarily to reduce farm product prices. If the price of any farm product, for example, is arbitrarily fixed at a point which does not cover the cost of production, the farmer is compelled to reduce the production of that particular crop. This results in a shortage which in turn brings about higher prices than before, and thus intensifies the danger from which it was sought to escape. In times past, many nations have tried to hold down living costs by arbitrarily fixing prices of farm products. All such efforts have failed, and have usually brought national disaster.

Fifth, we favor the administration of the farm loan act so as to help men who farm to secure farms of their own, and to give to them long-time credits needed to practice the best methods of diversified farming.

We also favor the authorization of associations to provide the necessary machinery to furnish personal credit to the man, whether land owner or tenant, who is hampered for lack of working capital. The highest type of rural civilization is that in which the land is farmed by the men who own it. Unfortunately, as land increases in value, tenancy also increases.

Transportation Systems.

Sixth, we do not longer recognize the right to speculative profit in the operation of our transportation systems, but we are pledged to restore them to the highest state of efficiency as quickly as possible. Agriculture has suffered more severely than any other industry through the inefficient railroad service of the last two years. Many farmers have incurred disastrous losses through inability to market their grain and live stock. Such a condition must not be permitted to continue. We must bring about conditions which will give us prompt service at the lowest possible rates.

Seventh, we are pledged to the revision of the tariff as soon as conditions shall make it necessary for the preservation of the home market for American labor, American agriculture and American industry. For a permanent good fortune all must have a common interest. If we are to build up a self-sustaining agriculture here at home, the farmer must be protected from unfair competition from those countries where agriculture is still being exploited and where the standards of living on the farm are much lower than here. We have asked for higher American standards, let us maintain them.

CONFERENCE LOOKING TO REVISION OF TAX FORMS.

That few important changes in the 1920 forms for the filing of income tax returns will be necessary was the view expressed by the Committee appointed by the Committee of Internal Revenue and representatives of varied business organizations at a conference held in Washington on September 16. The committee, it is stated, has in mind no radical changes, and such suggestions as the business men have to offer will be of minor character. The committee which was appointed by Commissioner Williams to revise and simplify the forms consists of Deputy Commissioner C. B. Hurrey, Chairman; Oliver Kinsel, Z. M. Smith, H. C. Armstrong, D. W. Bell, A. R. Grever, W. H. Lawder, J. G. Remey and H. C. Weston. The organizations represented at the Conference included the American Economic Association, American Farm Bureau Federation, American Federation of Labor, American Petroleum Institute, Association of Life Insurance Presidents, Investment Bankers' Association of America, National League of Commission Merchants, National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, National Retail Dry Goods Association, Southern Pine Association, and the American Electrical Railway Association.

INCOME TAX RETURNS FILED FOR 1919—20,000 IN MILLIONAIRE CLASS.

In a notice calling attention to the fact that Sept. 15 was the last day for the payment of the third instalment of income and excess profits taxes, the Bureau of Internal Revenue at Washington on Sept. 11 stated that the greater number of taxpayers paid their 1919 taxes in full at the time of filing their returns, on or before March 15 1920. It also says the total number of individual income tax returns received was 5,600,000. Of this number 4,900,000 were for incomes of \$5,000 and less. Three million taxpayers in this class elected to pay in full, and 600,000 by the installment plan. There were received 1,300,000 non-taxable returns. The number of individual returns for incomes in excess of \$5,000 was 700,000. Two hundred thousand of these tax payers paid in full and 500,000 by installments. Corporation returns numbered 340,000. Sixty-five thousand paid in full, and 100,000 in part. The number of non-taxable corporation returns filed was 175,000.

According to advices from Washington appearing in the daily papers the middle of August about 20,000 persons made sworn statements to the effect that their incomes during 1919 reached \$50,000 a year; these it is stated, are placed in the millionaire class, since \$50,000 is figured as the lowest probable return on \$1,000,000. The New York "Times" of Aug. 15 in reporting this, added:

However, not all of these "millionaires" are actually the possessors of \$1,000,000. Men with incomes of \$50,000 as salaries would come in this classification, and many of these have no large sums in bank. Some, indeed, live on their salaries and have no investments.

But contrasted with these "millionaires" are the two million persons in the United States whose incomes are \$2,000 or less. The Internal Revenue Bureau estimates that half of the 4,000,000 individuals who have rendered statements come within the \$2,000 class.

There are two men in the country who have incomes above \$3,000,000 annually, twenty-eight with incomes above \$2,000,000, and thirteen with incomes between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000. It is said 162 have incomes of \$1,000,000 and ninety possess incomes of more than \$750,000.

Officials said to-day [Aug. 14] that 16,000 men had incomes of \$50,000 to \$750,000. Among the rich men there are 1,271 in the \$50,000 to \$60,000 income class; 901 in the \$60,000 to \$70,000 class; 658 who have \$70,000 to \$80,000; 472 who have \$80,000 to \$90,000; 374 who have \$90,000 to \$100,000; 1,084 who have \$100,000 to \$150,000; 476 who have \$150,000 to \$200,000; 263 who have \$200,000 to \$250,000; 131 who have \$250,000 to \$300,000; 134 who have \$300,000 to \$400,000; 74 who have \$400,000 to \$500,000.

More than 6,000 of the men with incomes of more than \$50,000 live in New York State, and about half of these reside in New York City. Of the twenty-eight richest men in the United States about half also live in New York State. Two of them reside in Delaware and are said to have engaged in munition making on a large scale. Another whose name is celebrated lives in Michigan. One lives in Ohio, two in Pennsylvania, one in Texas, and one in Rhode Island. Of course, the identity of these men is secret, but the fact that they live in certain States establishes their identity with many persons.

U. S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN ARGENTINA PROTEST TO WASHINGTON AGAINST INCOME TAX

Associated Press advices from Buenos Aires Sept. 18 said: Protest against the assessment of the United States income and excess profits tax upon American citizens and business firms residing and operating abroad is voiced in a resolution adopted by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States in Argentina and sent to the Government at Washington. Amendment to the law is asked on the ground that it is proving an obstacle to the development and extension of United States foreign commerce.

Collection of the tax not only increases the heavy expenses of Americans residing abroad, but constitutes a serious handicap to them in trade competition, the resolution states, as no such tax is collected from the nationals of other countries. It is further pointed out that American citizens and business houses must pay heavy taxes levied by the country in which they are located and are thus taxed twice without representation either in the Government of that country or their own.

ADDITIONAL REVENUE TO GOVERNMENT THROUGH COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES.

An addition of nearly \$4,000,000 to the revenues of the Government as the result of a special drive begun June 16 by the Bureau of Internal Revenue for the collection of delinquent sales, admission, transportation and other miscellaneous taxes, was reported by the Bureau on Aug. 11, in a statement which added:

Reports for the seven weeks ended July 31 show that the largest single item was from the manufacturers' excess tax, amounting to \$2,058,048. This tax is on sales by the manufacturer of automobiles and automobile accessories, musical instruments, sporting goods, firearms, hunting and bowie knives, chewing gum, cameras, dirk knives, pleasure boats, automatic slot-device vending machines, liveries and hunting garments, articles made of fur, pleasure boats and canoes, candy and toilet soap and toilet soap powders. The tax ranges from 3% on chewing gum to 100% on dirk knives.

The next largest item is the transportation tax, collections of delinquent taxes from this source amounting to \$951,569. Delinquent jewelry tax collections yielded \$266,131, the so-called luxury tax on articles of wearing apparel, \$109,416, and the admission tax, \$213,133. Collections of the tax on the sale of soft drinks, toilet and medicinal preparations, &c., amount to \$169,521. Included in the totals are penalties imposed in a number of cases.

The drive, which is still in progress, will reach every large city in the United States. It is being conducted by a force of special revenue officers co-operating under the direction of the Collector of Internal Revenue in each district, with assistant supervisors and field deputies. The investigating officers are armed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue with authority

to examine any books, papers, record or memoranda bearing upon the matters required to be included in the returns, and to summon for examination under oath any person having knowledge in the premises.

WM. C. CORNWELL ON DESTRUCTIVE WAR TAXES— GROSS SALES TAX REMEDY.

The declaration that two important sources of the country's progress are being dried up by the operation of the excess profits tax and the heavy surtaxes on income was made by William C. Cornwell, of J. S. Bache & Co., Editor of the Bache Review, in addressing the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers at Maplewood, White Mountains, on Sept. 23. Mr. Cornwell addressed the gathering under the head "An Intolerable Situation—The Gross Sales Tax the Remedy." High taxes, he asserted are driving people with large incomes to invest as much as possible in tax-exempt securities, instead of furnishing capital for new business and general commercial and financial development. Likewise, he pointed out, extra profits in business are being appropriated by the Government, instead of being used to strengthen business concerns and to provide against losses in lean periods, which are bound to come. The destructive war taxes, Mr. Cornwell observed, were loaded upon business through political initiative, founded upon class and sectional bias, and in the inevitable endeavor to shift the burden, taxes have added 25% to prices of nearly everything. Mr. Cornwell showed that the requirements of a good tax system are:

- (1) That it be fair to all.
- (2) That the burden be universally distributed and
- (3) That collection be simple and easy, instead of complicated and irritating.

A tax on gross sales or tax on turnover would, he argued, be ideal in meeting all these requirements. The disturbing and complicated provisions of the present tax and the turmoil in its collection would, he thinks, be superseded by an automatic, smoothly-working operation, under which every merchant or seller throughout the country would send on to the Government once a month a memorandum of his gross cash sales with a check for 1% of them. The retail purchaser would never be disturbed by it. Money market strains would be relieved through these regular and gradual payments by the merchant or seller. Further, he said, the tax would yield an ample amount to allow the excess profits tax to be abolished, together with surtaxes on incomes, and would probably be sufficient to exempt incomes under \$4,000, \$5,000 or even \$10,000. The exempt individuals would still contribute through amounts spent by them for things, to the prices of which the sales tax had presumably been added (but added only in fractional amounts on account of the small size of the tax, instead of as now 25% being added to cost of things by reason of the excess profits tax being passed along). Through the example of France, which has just adopted a similar tax, he sought to show from their estimates of yield that the taxes which would be collected here would amount to from 3 to 5 billion dollars or even more. He called attention to the fact that this is not the retail tax paid by the purchaser, as in soda water and druggist sundries, but the public would never be annoyed by it, as the merchant would pay the tax direct to the government once a month on his gross sales. This, he contended, is not a movement to spare wealth from just burdens but to relieve business from withering taxation which is drying up supplies of needed capital and devitalizing the whole industrial structure, thus damaging the welfare of everyone. Mr. Cornwell asserted that great governmental problems need business direction in this country to properly solve them, and he called upon business men and associations of business men to inform themselves of the danger, and the merits of this remedy, and to put forth every effort, individually and collectively, to help lift the nation "out from under this dangerous and destructive legislative monstrosity."

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

No bank or trust company stocks were sold at the Stock Exchange or at auction this week.

A New York Stock Exchange membership was reported posted for transfer this week the consideration being stated at \$90,000. The last previous transaction was at \$88,000.

Following the consolidation of the Lincoln National Bank with the Irving National and the continuance of the former institution as the Irving's Lincoln office, the Irving has discontinued its Long Island City office and transferred its Long Island City business to the Lincoln office. This action

was necessary because the national banking law does not allow any increase in the number of district offices maintained by a national bank.

W. E. Paine has been elected a member of the board of the Seaboard National Bank of this city to fill a vacancy. Mr. Paine is a director of the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

H. G. P. Deans, Vice-President of the Merchants' Loan & Trust Co., Chicago, and Manager of its Foreign Department, has been elected a director and a member of the Banking Corporation of New York City.

The Fidelity-International Trust Co. of this city announces the appointment of Kenneth D. Hull as an Assistant Secretary. Mr. Hull will have charge of the new business department of the branch of the bank which is to open shortly at William and John streets.

At a meeting held Sept. 23 the board of directors of the Liberty National Bank of New York authorized the payment of extra compensation to all employees, amounting to 25% of salaries for the quarter ending Sept. 30.

William G. Avery, who has just returned from China, where he has been the General Manager for the Asia Banking Corporation, has been appointed an Assistant Manager of the Foreign Department of the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

R. E. Saunders, New York Agent of the National Bank of South Africa, has received cable advice from the bank's head office that a branch has been opened at Molteno, Cape Province.

Philip L. Wheeler, Assistant Cashier, has been made Cashier of the Second National Bank of Malden, Mass., to succeed William T. Halliday, who resigned to become associated with the Newton Trust Company of Newton, Mass., as Treasurer.

The interests in the recently organized City Trust Co. of Newton, Mass., have decided to merge that institution with the Newton Trust Co. of Newton, Mass. As a result the latter institution has taken action toward increasing its capital from \$400,000 to \$600,000, and its surplus from \$400,000 to \$600,000. The new capital is to become effective Nov. 1. The price at which the new stock is being disposed of is \$200 per \$100 share. The Newton Trust also plans to add seven new directors to the board, making a total of twenty-five members. William T. Halliday, heretofore Cashier of the Second National Bank of Malden, Mass., has been elected Treasurer of the Newton Trust to succeed Frank L. Richardson, who will probably serve as Vice-President.

For the convenience of its clients and others desiring Central District banking facilities for insuring titles to real estate, the Real Estate Title Insurance & Trust Co. of Philadelphia has opened a Broad Street office in the Lincoln Building, 45 So. Broad Street. The main office of the company is at 523 Chestnut Street.

A new institution, namely the Northeast National Bank, is being organized in Tacony, Pa., with a capital of \$250,000. The stock, in shares of \$50, is being disposed of at \$70 per share. The officers of the new institution are: Charles H. Heyer, Chairman of the Board; Herbert U. Porter, Treasurer; William H. Lingo, Secretary, and C. Warren Allen, Vice-Chairman. The directors are as follows: George T. Sale, Frank Curtis, Caspar Titus, Charles Merz, Chris Gercke, Fred Glazier, George Shallcross, Dr. Elmer E. Keiser, Jacob Knup, Sr., William Miller, Lewis Deitrich, Charles E. Lever and J. Harvey Byres. The present board, we are advised, is a "Board of Trustees" to receive the funds. The permanent Board of Directors will be elected by stockholders shortly.

The suspension of the Washington, D. C., brokerage firm of Moorhead & Elmore was announced from the rostrum of the New York Stock Exchange on Monday last, Sept. 20.

A Robert Elmore was the Stock Exchange member, Mr. Elmore having been admitted as a member of the Exchange on April 24 1919. Since the death of J. Upshur Moorhead about a year ago, Mr. Elmore and Henry R. Duryea had been the sole members of the firm. A petition in bankruptcy was filed against the firm in the District Supreme Court on Sept. 20, the cause assigned being that the business engaged in was too great for the liquid capital commanded. Following the filing of the petition William Clabaugh was named as receiver. Mr. Elmore in expressing confidence that with proper liquidation proceedings and the exercise of due care and sound judgment in disposing of the firm's assets it would be able to pay 100 cents on the dollar on all outstanding obligations was quoted in the Washington "Post" of Sept. 21 as saying:

The one big thing I am concerned with right now is to see this liquidation through and see to it that my creditors get back every dollar due them. This I am confident can be brought about if the costs of the receivership are reduced to the minimum. I shall be at my office each day for some time and shall be glad to meet every creditor face to face and explain exactly what the situation is in the hope of gaining their support and cooperation in conducting the proper settlements.

I have realized for some time the necessity for having additional capital to take care of this business. I have been at the point of concluding arrangements with new capital on several occasions and had definitely determined to consolidate my business with another New York Stock Exchange house last week. Last Friday that deal was called off. Meanwhile the business conduct committee of the New York Stock Exchange had impressed upon me the necessity for conforming with the necessary requirements and the only alternative was liquidation.

After the deal fell through definitely last Friday I had only until noon today to correct the situation. I have left no stone unturned to conform with the New York Stock Exchange requirements.

The total assets and liabilities of the firm have not been announced, but they will include the building, which cost the firm about \$117,000, and is said to be salable at or near \$150,000, and an equity, in a seat on the New York Stock Exchange.

The financial community was shocked over the news of the death last week of Claud H. Corrigan of Grand Rapids, Vice-President of the Investment Banking House of Fenton, Corrigan & Boyle. Mr. Corrigan was formerly a member of the firm of Howe, Snow, Corrigan & Boyle.

William H. Gehl, formerly with the Union Trust Co., Chicago, is now associated with the Bond Department of the Standard Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.

The West Side National Bank of Chicago is distributing a booklet in the Jewish language, under the caption, "The Journey of Herman Elenbogen Through Poland and Lithuania." An English translation of the same is also made available by the bank, of which Mr. Elenbogen is Vice-President.

According to the weekly bulletin of the Comptroller of the Currency, made public to-day (Sept. 25), the First National Bank of Grand Rapids, Wis., has changed its name to the First National Bank of Wisconsin Rapids, to conform to the change in the name of the City of Grand Rapids to Wisconsin Rapids.

An addition of \$250,000 has been made to the capital of the Northern National Bank of Duluth, Minnesota, raising it from \$500,000 to \$750,000. The stockholders authorized the increase in capital August 3, and the enlarged amount became available September 11. The new stock (par \$100) was disposed of at \$175 per share.

The Unaka National Bank (capital \$100,000) of Johnson City, Tenn., has been placed in voluntary liquidation, effective Sept. 11, having been consolidated with the City National Bank of Johnson City. As a result the latter has changed its name to the Unaka and City National Bank, and has increased its capital from \$200,000 to \$400,000.

The Canal-Commercial Trust & Savings Bank of New Orleans has increased its surplus from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, thus making the capital and surplus \$6,000,000. The Canal-Commercial National Bank has increased its surplus from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000, its capital and surplus amounting as a result to \$1,500,000. The combined capital and surplus of the Canal-Commercial Banks of New Orleans now is \$7,500,000; while their total resources are over \$90,000,000.

At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Merchants & Planters National Bank of Sherman, Texas, on Aug. 30, it was voted to increase the capital of the institu-

tion from \$600,000 to \$800,000 and to increase the surplus account from \$175,000 to \$375,000. At the same time the directorate of the institution was increased by the addition of the following new members: P. R. Markham, C. J. Keliebor, S. W. Gladney, G. B. R. Smith, Rowen Mills, Clinton Phelps, A. Y. Creager, T. S. Clyce, S. C. Swain, D. B. Talieferro, C. S. Roberts, M. C. Everheart, Tom E. Hopson, R. L. Heflin, John Uphrees, and W. B. Munson, Jr.

The First Securities Co. is the name of an institution recently organized and which has already begun operations in Los Angeles, Cal. The capital of the new institution is all subscribed and held by trustees for the benefit of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Los Angeles, and hence none of the stock has been offered publicly nor to any outside interests. The company is authorized to deal in cattle loans, commodity financing and other financial enterprises. Henry M. Robinson, President of the First National Bank, is President of the new company, and John E. Barber, formerly of Harris, Forbes & Co. of New York and now Assistant to the President of the Los Angeles Trust & Savings Bank and of the First National Bank, is its Vice-President. A. B. Jones is Secretary and Treasurer of the First Securities Company, the headquarters of which will be in the I. N. Van Nuys Building, at Seventh and Spring Sts., Los Angeles.

The Banco Internacional de Cuba issues a monthly bulletin entitled "Cuban Commerce and Finance" in which it furnishes an epitome of Cuban Commercial and Financial Life. The current number dwells on such topics as the Sugar and Tobacco Outlook, the Harbor Tie-up, the Political Situation, the Strike on the Cuba Railroad and numerous other phases of affairs in Cuba. Copies of the Bulletin, we are informed, may be had by applying to the bank's Head Office, Mercaderes y Teniente Rey, Havana.

The 139th semi-annual report of the Bank of New South Wales (head office Sydney), for the six months ended March 31 1920, presented to the shareholders at their half yearly general meeting on May 28, has recently come to hand. The statement shows net profits for the half year, after the usual deductions, of £304,219, which when added to £140,370, the balance brought forward from the preceding six months, made the sum of £444,589 available for distribution. Out of this sum an interim dividend at the rate of 10% per annum, calling for £100,000 was paid on Feb. 26, leaving a balance of £344,589. This balance, the directors proposed be distributed as follows: £119,142 to pay an interim dividend for the quarter ending March 31 1920 at the rate of 10% per annum and £75,000 to be added to reserve fund, leaving a balance of £150,447 to be carried forward to the next half year's profit and loss account. Total assets on March 31 1920 were £75,544,242 and deposits, accrued interest and rebate aggregated £50,132,727. The paid-in capital of the bank is £4,765,700 and its reserve fund £3,275,000. During the half-year branches of the bank have been opened at Ashford, Alstonville and Werris Creek and Wingham (in New South Wales) and at Boort, Horsham and Mildura (in Victoria); and at Mackay and Richmond (in Queensland); and the branch at Corydon (in Queensland) has been closed; and sub-branches have been opened at Epping (in New South Wales) and Millaa Millaa (in Queensland). The branches and agencies now number 351. Hon. Sir C. K. MacKellar is President and Sir John Russell French, General Manager.

The annual report of the Union Bank of Australia, Ltd. (head office London), for the twelve months ending Feb. 28 1920, presented to the shareholders at their annual general meeting on July 26 1920, shows total assets of £41,009,450 of which £5,548,137 consists of specie on hand and cash balances, £69,547 of bullion and advances on bullion and £1,140,000 of money at call and short notice in London. On the debit side of the account deposits are given at £31,840,563. Net profits for the fiscal year, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts and other contingencies, amounted to £458,102, which when added to £78,614 the balance brought forward from the preceding year, made £536,716 available for distribution. From this sum £175,000 was deducted to pay interim dividend of 14% per annum as of Jan. 1920; £60,000 was transferred to reserve fund and £20,000 written off bank premises, leaving a balance of

£281,716. Out of this balance, the report tells us, the directors resolved at the annual meeting to pay a final dividend at the rate of 16% per annum, making 15% for the year, calling for £200,000, which left £81,716 to be carried forward to next year's undivided profits account. During the year, the reports states, new branches were opened at Marnoo in Victoria and Te Puke, New Zealand, and the branch at Matata, New Zealand, was converted into an agency of Te Puke. It also states that the new shares issued in Feb. 1919 having been fully subscribed for, the dividend announced at the annual meeting would be paid on the present paid-up capital of the bank, viz., £2,500,000, and that the premium of £500,000 received on the new shares has been added to reserve fund, making the same £2,630,000.

In view of the rapid development which has taken place in the Central West, The Canadian Bank of Commerce has decided to establish an additional superintendency. Heretofore the Central Western District comprised the Provinces of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan, but the progress of the Peace River District and other outlying parts of the Inland Empire, in addition to the very general expansion of the bank's business throughout the older settled portions of these Provinces, have made it difficult to handle all the business at one central point, namely, Winnipeg, with the facility of service which has always been the bank's aim. It has accordingly been decided to leave the branches in Manitoba and Saskatchewan under the supervision of the Superintendent at Winnipeg and to place the Alberta and Peace River branches under the supervision of a Superintendent at Calgary. C. W. Rowley has been appointed Superintendent of Branches in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, with headquarters at Winnipeg, and J. B. Corbet has been appointed Superintendent of Branches in Alberta. Mr. Rowley has been for the last nine years Manager of the bank's main branch in Winnipeg and was accountant at the Winnipeg branch during the years 1898-1902, after which he served in Vancouver for a short time, and in October 1902 established a branch of the bank in Calgary. He was one of the founders of the Calgary Clearing House and its first Chairman, and in addition served on the local directorates of many companies. He went to Winnipeg as Manager of the main branch in May 1911 and has been there since that time. Mr. Corbet entered the bank's service at New Westminster in 1901, and in 1903 was brought to Toronto. From that date until July 1911 he was attached to the Head Office staff; his appointment as Assistant Inspector at Winnipeg occurred in 1911. For the last three and one-half years he has been senior inspector of the bank's Western business with headquarters at Winnipeg. C. G. K. Nourse, the present Manager at Calgary, will go to Winnipeg as Mr. Rowley's successor. Mr. Nourse will be succeeded as Manager in Calgary by A. Maybee, the present Manager at Moose Jaw.

The particular occasion of these changes is the action of V. C. Brown, who has been Superintendent of the bank's business in the Central West since May 1911 in relinquishing his post and taking a position with the National City Bank of New York as an Executive Manager.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Sept. 9 1920:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes is £121,555,210, a slight increase of £2,790 as compared with that of last week. A fair amount of gold came into the market this week and was taken for the United States of America, excepting a small quantity acquired for India.

We understand that \$1,800,000 in gold has been received in New York from London, and of the gold newly arrived here from South Africa \$5,000,000 has been engaged for shipment and is due shortly. Further \$40,000,000 or more is expected to arrive from France.

We are informed from Bombay under date of Aug. 20 last that sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 14-12, and the disparity which at one time existed between sovereigns and bullion had disappeared, owing to large arrivals of the former.

SILVER.

The market during the week has been quiet and the absence of business rather marked. Following our last advices, some Indian bear covering, coupled with a little inquiry from China, took effect upon a sensitive market and caused quotations to rise daily until 60% d. for cash and 60d. for forward delivery were reached on the 6th inst. Since then, however, a downward movement has been steadily maintained until to-day we returned to 58½ d. and 58½ d., the same prices as those which were quoted a week ago.

News to hand this week from China gives disquieting reports of the harvest, which, apparently, has been extremely bad in that country. We understand that the warehouses here of China merchants are well stocked, and consequently very little is expected from China in the way of exports. It would appear, therefore, that unless for speculative purposes, inquiry for silver on China account is not likely to press hardly on the market.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.			
(In lacs of rupees.)	Aug. 15.	Aug. 22.	Aug. 31.
Notes in circulation.....	16295	16200	16327
Silver coin and bullion in India.....	5229	5333	5529
Silver coin and bullion out of India.....	4180	3981	3912
Gold coin and bullion in India.....	4733	4733	4733
Gold coin and bullion out of India.....	2153	2153	2153

No rupees were coined during the week ending 31st ultimo.

The "Times" correspondent at Simla under date of Sept. 2 states that a bill has been introduced into the Legislative Council prescribing the permanent constitution of a paper currency reserve. It is proposed that the minimum of metallic reserve should be 50% of the total reserve of Indian securities held and be limited to 20 crores. Sterling securities held should be confined to securities issued by the United Kingdom and maturing within one year of purchase. Pending the establishment of a permanent constitution, it is proposed to limit the amount of securities held to 85 crores, instead of 120 crores, as now authorized.

The stock in Shanghai on the 4th inst. consisted of about 33,800,000 ounces in sycee, 22,500,000 dollars, as compared with about 35,400,000 ounces in sycee, 22,000,000 dollars, and 270 bars of silver on the 28th ultimo. The Shanghai exchange is quoted at 5s. 10d. the tael.

Quotations—	Cash.	2 Mos.	Bar Gold per Oz. Standard.
Sept. 3.....	59d.	58½d.	115s. 3d.
" 4.....	60½d.	59½d.	-----
" 6.....	60½d.	60d.	115s. 6d.
" 7.....	59½d.	59½d.	115s. 6d.
" 8.....	59d.	58½d.	115s. 11d.
" 9.....	58½d.	58½d.	115s. 9d.
Average.....	59.416d.	59.083d.	115s. 7d.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are the same as those fixed a week ago.

ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKETS—PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

London,	Sept. 18.	Sept. 20.	Sept. 21.	Sept. 22.	Sept. 23.	Sept. 24.
Week ending Sept. 24—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Silver, per oz.....	d. 59½	59½	59½	60	59½	59½
Gold per fine oz.....	117s. 6d.	117s. 9d.				
Consols, 2½ per cents.....	46	46	46	46	46	46
British, 5 per cents.....	84 11-16	84%	84%	84%	84%	84%
British, 4½ per cents.....	78	78	78	78	78	77½
French Rentes (in Paris), fr.....	54.35	54.50	54.15	54.20	54	54
French War Loan (in Paris), fr.....	85.45	85.50	85.52	85.57	85.57	85.57

The price of silver in New York on the same day has been: Silver in N. Y., per oz.

Domestic.....	99½	99½	99½	99½	99½	99½
Foreign.....	93½	94½	94½	94	94½	93

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

Breadstuffs figures brought from page 1295.—The statements below are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. The receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been:

Receipts at	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
bbls. 196lbs.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	48lbs.	bush.
Chicago.....	127,000	843,000	2,053,000	2,262,000	300,000	89,000
Minneapolis.....	2,828,000	76,000	966,000	763,000	125,000	
Duluth.....	2,317,000			567,000	102,000	794,000
Milwaukee.....	16,000	83,000	325,000	911,000	345,000	147,000
Toledo.....	116,000	33,000	405,000			
Detroit.....	122,000	41,000	217,000			
St. Louis.....	64,000	1,134,000	403,000	568,000	43,000	12,000
Peoria.....	34,000	65,000	317,000	252,000		
Kansas City.....	1,832,000	109,000	189,000			
Omaha.....	711,000	352,000	256,000			
Indianapolis.....	130,000	333,000	414,000			
Total wk. 1920.....	241,000	10,181,000	4,043,000	7,007,000	1,594,000	1,174,000
Same wk. 1919.....	538,000	15,768,000	3,522,000	5,024,000	1,255,000	903,000
Same wk. 1918.....	409,000	18,412,000	6,450,000	7,339,000	1,850,000	1,177,000
Since Aug. 1—						
1920.....	1,755,000	66,862,000	19,222,000	45,829,000	6,100,000	5,570,000
1919.....	3,296,000	136,776,000	21,257,000	47,653,000	11,757,000	6,720,000
1918.....	2,570,000	144,211,000	35,059,000	73,336,000	8,871,000	4,488,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Sept. 18 1920 follow:

Receipts at	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York.....	123,000	2,652,000	204,000	350,000	10,000	933,000
Philadelphia.....	77,000	929,000	17,000	105,000		29,000
Baltimore.....	30,000	905,000	57,000	58,000	2,000	121,000
New Orleans a.....	97,000	1,945,000	138,000	80,000		
Galveston.....	2,093,000					
Montreal.....	42,000	2,353,000		238,000	25,000	
Boston.....	24,000	410,000		37,000		
Total wk. 1920.....	393,000	11,161,000	416,000	868,000	37,000	1,083,000
Since Jan. 1 '20.....	17,402,000	156,276,000	14,899,000	19,627,000	7,239,000	39,226,000
Week 1919.....	606,000	6,558,000	85,000	1,403,000	63,000	196,000
Since Jan. 1 '29 27,224,000	158,766,000	9,365,000	57,595,000	53,892,000	24,95,000	

a Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending Sept. 18 are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Peas.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York.....	1,818,887	7,782	99,566	-----	150,777	136,398	-----
Boston.....	313,000	-----	35,000	-----	46,000	-----	-----
Philadelphia.....	458,000	-----	6,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
Baltimore.....	486,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Newport News.....	355,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	168,000	-----
New Orleans.....	2,862,000	2,000	52,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
Galveston.....	235,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	174,000	-----
Montreal.....	1,757,000	-----	15,000	120,000	43,000	74,000	-----
Total week.....	10399,887	9,782	207,566	120,000	239,777	378,395	-----
Week 1919.....	5,136,685	31,000	281,362	1,152,092	8,572	1,145,122	-----

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1920 is as follows:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week Sept. 18 1920.	Since July 1 1920.	Week Sept. 18. 1920.	Since July 1 1920.	Week Sept. 18 1920.	Since July 1 1920.
United Kingdom.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Continent.	66,826	658,264	5,171,009	40,255,263	7,782	294,228
So. & Cent. Amer.	111,493	2,331,523	4,828,878	47,774,067		1,599
West Indies.	13,000	248,976	400,000	1,358,060	2,000	29,270
Brit. No. Am. Cols.	7,000	250,007		1,000		444,160
Other countries.	9,247	547,808		848,651		12,342
Total.	207,566	4,036,578	10,399,887	90,237,041	9,782	781,599
Total 1919.	281,362	6,502,201	5,636,685	42,865,475	31,000	890,403

The world's shipment of wheat and corn for the week ending Sept. 18 1920 and since July 1 1920 and 1919 are shown in the following:

Exports.	Wheat.		Corn.	
	1920.		1919.	
	Week Sept. 18.	Since July 1.	Week Sept. 18.	Since July 1.
North Amer.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Russia	11,656,000	110,051,000	94,253,000	66,000
Danube				638,000
Argentina	191,000	36,485,000	41,689,000	4,478,000
Australia	302,000	9,710,000	25,335,000	35,433,000
India				30,331,000
Oth. countr's			1,054,000	864,000
Total.	12,149,000	156,246,000	162,331,700	4,544,000
				37,570,000
				32,148,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Sept. 18 1920 was as follows:

GRAIN STOCKS.					
United States—	Wheat, bush.	Corn. bush.	Oats. bush.	Rye. bush.	Barley bush.
New York	3,115,000	495,000	1,469,000	954,000	170,000
Boston	653,000	5,000	17,000		
Philadelphia	1,773,000	72,000	269,000	131,000	10,000
Baltimore	3,742,000	448,000	254,000	635,000	3,000
Newport News	407,000			1,000	
New Orleans	3,237,000	57,000	413,000		1,238,000
Galveston	1,967,000			160,000	5000
Buffalo	805,000	117,000	1,099,000	268,000	159,000
Toledo	131,000	17,000	579,000	9,000	
Detroit	27,000	19,000	41,000	26,000	
Chicago	928,000	873,000	8,495,000	202,000	302,000
Milwaukee	55,000	127,000	2,495,000	174,000	147,000
Duluth	2,837,000		769,000	633,000	154,000
Minneapolis	1,403,000	45,000	2,501,000	96,000	925,000
St. Louis	296,000	170,000	628,000	14,000	15,000
Kansas City	1,581,000	250,000	715,000	65,000	
Peoria	12,000	31,000	577,000		
Indianapolis	126,000	203,000	472,000		
Omaha	1,140,000	328,000	541,000	39,000	7,000
On Lakes	756,000			184,000	94,000
On Canal and River	24,000				8,000
Total Sept. 18 1920	25,065,000	3,287,000	21,334,000	3,594,000	3,237,000
Total Sept. 11 1920	22,931,000	2,792,000	16,216,000	2,398,000	2,578,000
Total Sept. 20 1919	77,988,000	1,750,000	20,935,000	14,366,000	5,311,000

Note.—Bonded grain not included above Oats, 16,000 bushels New York; total, 16,000, against 35,000 bushels in 1919; barley, New York, 8,000; Duluth, 1,000; total, 9,000 bushels, against 37,000 bushels in 1919.

Canadian					
Montreal	5,152,000	276,000	237,000	154,000	198,000
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur	1,661,000		133,000		351,000
Other Canadian	1,311,000		24,000		
Total Sept. 18 1920	8,124,000	276,000	394,000	154,000	549,000
Total Sept. 11 1920	7,309,000	276,000	355,000	95,000	560,000
Total Sept. 20 1919	6,050,000	2,000	2,088,000	247,000	1,393,000
Summary					
American	25,065,000	3,287,000	21,334,000	3,594,000	3,237,000
Canadian	8,124,000	276,000	394,000	154,000	549,000
Total Sept. 18 1920	33,189,000	3,563,000	21,728,000	3,748,000	3,786,000
Total Sept. 11 1920	30,240,000	3,068,000	16,571,000	2,493,000	3,138,000
Total Sept. 20 1919	84,038,000	1,752,000	23,023,000	14,613,000	6,704,000

National Banks.—The following information regarding national banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Original organizations—	Capital.
The Westwood National Bank, Westwood, Calif.	\$50,000
President, Willis J. Walker; Cashier, A. G. Graham.	
The First National Bank of Shoemakersville, Pa.	50,000
President, W. C. Bagenstose; Cashier, H. A. Delbert.	
The Commercial National Bank of Durant, Okla.	100,000
President, G. A. Mason; Cashier, W. E. Clark.	
The Greenville National Bank, Greenville, Mich.	50,000
President, F. A. Johnson; Cashier, W. C. Chapple.	
Total.	\$250,000

APPLICATIONS FOR CHARTER.

Conversion of State banks and trust companies:	
The National Bank of Boaz, Boaz, Ala.	\$25,000
Conversion of The Farmers' & Merchants' Bank of Boaz, Ala.	
Correspondent, D. K. Searcy, Boaz, Ala.	

Original organization:	
The Moulton National Bank, Moulton, Texas.	25,000
Correspondent, O. Buescher, Moulton, Texas.	
The Central National Bank of Oklahoma City, Okla.	200,000
Correspondent, W. J. Thompson, 509 East 9th St., Oklahoma City.	
The Peoples National Bank of Pitcairn, Pa.	75,000
Correspondent, C. B. Yother, Pitcairn, Pa.	
The Citizens National Bank of Malone, N. Y.	100,000
Correspondent, John M. Cantwell, Malone, N. Y.	
The First National Bank of Farnhamville, Iowa.	40,000
Correspondent, Chas. Beacham, Farnhamville, Iowa.	
The First National Bank of Maroa, Ill.	50,000
Correspondent, D. N. Gray, Maroa, Ill. Succeeds Citizens Bank of Maroa, Ill.	

CAPITAL STOCK INCREASED.

	Amt. of Cap. when Increase.	Increase.
The First National Bank of Carmi, Ill.	\$40,000	\$100,000
The First National Bank of Bremerton, Wash.	50,000	100,000
The First National Bank of Mission, Texas.	25,000	50,000

Total. \$115,000

CHANGE OF TITLE.

The First National Bank of Grand Rapids, Wis., to "The First National Bank of Wisconsin Rapids" (to conform to change in name of city of Grand Rapids to Wisconsin Rapids).

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.

The First National Bank of Picher, Okla., capital \$100,000. To take effect Aug. 20 1920. Liquidating agent, D. L. Connell, Picher, Okla. Succeeded by The Picher National Bank, Picher, Okla.

Canadian Bank Clearings.—The clearings for the week ending Sept. 16 at Canadian cities, in comparison with the same week in 1919, show an increase in the aggregate of 13.6%.

Clearings at—	Week ending September 16.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
Canada—	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
Montreal	139,075,170	119,762,786	+16.1	90,064,434	73,389,109
Toronto	100,041,774	86,825,974	+15.2	61,827,129	55,104,461
Winnipeg	54,287,775	50,537,876	+7.4	29,731,296	37,715,688
Vancouver	18,897,204	14,614,165	+29.3	13,265,073	9,956,959
Ottawa	8,458,094	8,422,239	+0.4	7,806,619	5,212,514
Quebec	7,143,983	6,434,406	+11.0	4,345,852	3,754,968
Halifax	5,909,228	4,814,352	+22.7	4,196,398	3,261,952
Hamilton	7,816,547	7,212,173	+8.4	5,434,586	4,828,448
St. John	3,049,621	3,067,742	-0.6	2,269,603	1,811,296
Calgary	8,324,189	6,817,439	+22.1	6,062,849	5,619,075
London	3,418,475	3,074,961	+11.2	2,492,095	2,150,247
Victoria					

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
Street and Electric Rys. (Concluded).				Miscellaneous (Concluded)			
Public Service Corp. of N. J., com. (qu.)	*1	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 28	Heath (D. C.) & Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Sept. 26 to Sept. 30
Preferred (quar.)	*2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 22	Hillman Coal & Coke, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 25	Oct. 16 to Oct. 24
Wash. Balt. & Ann. Elec. RR., com. (qu.)	*1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Houston Gas & Fuel, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 7a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Howe Scale, common (quar.)	1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
Yadkin River Power, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
Banks.				Howe Sound Co. (quar.)	5c.	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a
America, Bank of (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21	Hydraulic Steel, com. (quar.)	75c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a
Coal & Iron National (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 8a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a
Colonial (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	Imperial Tobacco of Canada ordinary	*1 1/2	Sept. 29	
Fifth Avenue (quar.)	6	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Preferred	*3	Sept. 30	
First National (quar.)	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Inspiration Consolidated Copper (quar.)	\$1	Oct. 25	Holders of rec. Oct. 8
First Security Co.	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	International Braid, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 27
Garfield National (quar.)	3	Sept. 30	Sept. 24 to Sept. 30	Island Creek Coal, common (quar.)	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Gotham National (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Common (extra)	\$2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Greenwich (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	Preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Irving National (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24	Jones Bros. Tea, common (quar.)	*50c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Liberty National (quar.)	4 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Manhattan Co., Bank of the (quar.)	6	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22a	Kansas Gas & Electric, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22
Mechanics (Brooklyn) (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Kelsey Wire, Inc., preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 21
Mutual (quar.)	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	Lawton Mills Corp. (quar.)	2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 23
Nassau National (Brooklyn) (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 29a	Lawyers' Mortgage (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23
Park, National (quar.)	6	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24a	Mathieson Alkali Works, Inc., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
Second National (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Mays Food Products, Inc., pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
► Extra	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Mexican Investment, preferred	4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25
United States Bank of (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 29a	Mohawk Mining (quar.)	*\$1	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 9
Washington Heights, Bank of (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Monomac Spinning (quar.)	\$2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21
Trust Companies.				Montreal Telegraph (quar.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Bankers (quar.)	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22	Bonus	1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Brooklyn (quar.)	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	Mortgage-Bond Co. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Central Union (quar.)	5 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24a	Nashua Manufacturing, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Corporation (quar.)	2 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	National Fuel Gas (quar.)	*\$2.50	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Empire (quar.)	3	Sept. 29	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	New England Telep. & Teleg. (quar.)	2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 22
Fidelity-International (quar.)	2 1/2	Sept. 30	Sept. 25 to Sept. 30	N. Y. Title & Mortgage (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Hudson (quar.)	2 1/2	Sept. 30	Sept. 23 to Sept. 30	O'Bannon Corporation, preferred	3 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25
Mercantile (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Ogilvie Flour Mills, common (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23
Title Guarantees & Trust (quar.)	5	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Common (bonus)	10	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23
U. S. Mortgage & Trust (quar.)	*6	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Ohio Fuel Supply (quar.)	*62 1/2c	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Fire Insurance.				Extra (pay. in Victory 4 1/4% bonds)	*45c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Hanover (quar.)	*2 1/2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Ohio State Telephone, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Miscellaneous.				Oklahoma Natural Gas (quar.)	*62 1/2c	Oct. 20	*Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Abtibil Power & Paper, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Oriental Navigation, 1st & 2d pref. (qu.)	*2	Oct. 25	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Acadia Mills (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21a	Otis Elevator, common (quar.)	*2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Air Reduction (quar.)	*5 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Alabama Co., 1st & 2d pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Ottawa Light, Heat & Power (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Alliance Realty (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 18	Holders of rec. Oct. 8	Panhandle Prod. & Ref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Amer. Agricultural Chem., com. (qu.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Penick & Ford, preferred (quar.)	2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Penmans, Ltd., common (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 21
American Cyanamid, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22a	Preferred (quar.)	4	Nov. 1	Oct. 24 to Oct. 31
American Hardware Corporation (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Pittsb. Rolls Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25
Extra	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 26	Pond Creek Coal (quar.)	25c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
American Piano, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Procter & Gamble 8% pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 15	Sept. 26 to Oct. 13
Common (payable in common stock)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Punta Alegre Sugar, common (quar.)	*\$2	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Oct. 1
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Republic Motor Truck, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Amer. Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Santa Cecilia Sugar, com. (quar.)	*25c.	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
American Rolling Mill, common (quar.)	*50c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Common (extra)	*25c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Shawinigan Water & Power (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 11	Holders of rec. Sept. 27
Six per cent preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Southern N. E. Telephone (quar.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Standard Tank Car, preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
American Screw (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23a	Preferred A and B (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
American Shipbuilding, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15	Steel Co. of Canada, com. & pref. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 11
Common (extra)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15	Taylor-Wharton Iron & Steel, com. (qu.)	1 1/2	Sept. 30	Sept. 24 to Sept. 29
Preferred (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15	Thompson (John R.) Co., com. (quar.)	*37 1/2c	Oct. 5	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Astoria Mahogany, preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 5	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Auburn Automobile, common (quar.)	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 15	Times Square Auto Supply (quar.)	62 1/2c	Oct. 27	Holders of rec. Oct. 5a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Topoah Mining	*5c.	Oct. 21	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Barnet Leather, preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22a	Torrington Company, com. (quar.)	\$1.25	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Bayuk Bros., Inc., 1st & 2d pref. (quar.)	*3 1/2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Taylor Eng. & Mfg., com. & pref. (qu.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25
Beatrice Creamery, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Union Natural Gas Corporation (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	United Iron Works, com. (quar.)	*62 1/2c	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 1
Brandom-Henderson, Ltd., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	United States Oil, common (quar.)	2 1/2	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Common (payable in common stock)	f/5	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20
Brighton Mills, common (quar.)	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.)	2 1/2	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22a	U. S. Printing & Litho., 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Canada Bread, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	First pref. (account accum. divs.)	3 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Canadian Cement (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Virginia-Carolina Chem., com. (quar.)	1	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a
Canadian Consol. Rubber, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 2a
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24	Warling Hat Mfg., pref. (No. 1)	*\$2.33	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 21
Canadian Cottons, common (quar.)	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	West Kootenay Pow. & Light, pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 27
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Western Electric, com. (quar.)	*\$2.50	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 23
Canadian Iron Foundries, non-cum. pref.	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Westmoreland Coal (quar.)	*\$1.25	Oct. 1	Sept. 22 to Oct. 1
Canadian Woolens, common (quar.)	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Whitman (William) & Co., Inc., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17
Carbo-Hydrogen Co. of Amer., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	Will & Baumer Co., common (quar.)	*62 1/2c	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Central Aguirre Sugar (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16
Central Bond & Mortgage, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Winnsboro Mills, common (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22
Chicago Railway Equipment (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22
Conley Tin Foil Corporation (quar.)	*2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 28	Woods Manufacturing, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23
Consolidated Textile Corporation (quar.)	*50c.	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Yale & Towne Mfg. (quar.)	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25
Consumers Elec. Lt. & P., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10 to Sept. 30				
Continental Motors Corp., com. (quar.)	*25c.	Oct. 16	Holders of rec. Oct. 4				
Corn Products Refining, com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 20	Holders of rec. Oct. 4				
Common (extra)	*1 1/4	Oct. 20	Holders of rec. Oct. 4				
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 20	Holders of rec. Oct. 4				
Cosden & Co., common (quar.)	62 1/2c	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a				
Dictograph Products Corp., pref. (qu.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a				
Dominion Canners, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18				
Driver-Harris Co., com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21 to Oct. 1				
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21 to Oct. 1				
Dunn Petroleum Corp. (stock div.)	*100	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25				
Durham Hosery Mills, com. B (qu							

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	
Street and Electric Rys. (Concluded).				Miscellaneous (Continued)				
Cincinnati & Hamilton Tract, com. (quar.)				Bucyrus Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Sept. 20 to Sept. 30	Preferred (acct. accum. dividends)	1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Cincinnati Street Ry. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Sept. 17 to Sept. 30	Buffalo General Electric (quar.)	2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Duluth-Superior Traction, pref. (quar.)	1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Burt (F. N.) Co., Ltd., com. (quar.)	*2 1/2	Oct. 1		
Duquesne Light, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	California Petroleum, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Eastern Texas Electric Co., com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Cambric Iron	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Frankford & Southwark Pass. (quar.)	\$4.50	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a	Canada SS. Lines, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Illinois Traction, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Canadian Car & Foundry, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 9	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Manila Electric RR. & Lighting (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21a	Canad. Crocker-Wheeler, com. & pf. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Sept. 20 to Sept. 30	
Monongahela Val. Trac., new pref. (quar.)	37 1/2c	Oct. 7	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Canadian General Electric, com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Northern Ohio Trac. & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10	Preferred	3 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Ottawa Traction (quar.)	75c	Oct. 30	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Canadian Locomotive, com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Philadelphia Co., common (quar.)	\$1.50	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
Six per cent cumulative preferred				Caracas Sugar (No. 1)	\$1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Philadelphia Traction				Carbo-Hydrogen Co., pref. (quar.)	8 1/4c	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Phila. & Western Ry., pref. (quar.)	82	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Case (J. I.) Flow Works—				
Ridge Ave. Pass. Ry., Phila. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	First and second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	dOct. 1	Sept. d11 to Sept. 30	
2d & 3d Streets Pass., Phila. (quar.)	\$3	Oct. 1	Sept. 16 to Oct. 1	Case (J. I.) Thresh. Mach., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13	
Springfield (Mo.) Ry. & Lt., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Central Coal & Coke, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	
Tri-City Ry. & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Twin City R. T., Minneap., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Central Leather, preferred (quar.)	\$2.50	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17	
United Light & Rys. 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Central States Elec. Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10	
Washington Water Power, Spokane (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 24	Central Terres Sugar, com. & pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
West End Street Ry., Boston, common.	\$1.75	Oct. 1	Sept. 21 to Oct. 1	Certain-teed Products, common (quar.)	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	
Banks.				Common (extra)	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	
Atlantic National (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	First and second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	
Extra	3 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	Chandler Motor Car (quar.)	\$2.50	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Chase National (quar.)	4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23a	Chesebrough Mfg., com. (quar.)	*3 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14	
Chatham & Phenix Nat. (quar.)	4	Oct. 1	Sept. 19 to Sept. 30a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14	
City, National (quar.)	4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Chicago Mill & Lumber, Pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 23	
Extra	1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Chicago Telephone (quar.)	*2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 29	
Commerce National Bank of (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	Chino Copper (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Sept. 19 to Sept. 29	
Hanover National (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Cincinnati & Sub. Bell Telep. (quar.)	37 1/2c	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	
Mechanics & Metals Nat. (quar.)	5	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Cities Service, com. and pref. (monthly)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 23	
Metropolitan (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Common (payable in common stock)	*2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 29	
National City Co. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Preferred B (monthly)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
New Netherland (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21a	Common (payable in common stock)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
New York, Bank of, N.B.A. (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	Preferred B (monthly)	*1 1/4	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15	
Seaboard National (quar.)	5	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 21	Cities Service Bankers Share (monthly)	40.75c	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Yorkville (quar.)				City Investing, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Trust Companies.				Cleveland Automobile, pref. (quar.)	*\$2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Columbia (quar.)	4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Cluett, Peabody & Co., pref. (quar.)	*25c	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 1	
Equitable (quar.)	4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 22a	Colonial Finance Corp., com. (quar.)	*2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 1	
Guaranty (quar.)	5	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 17	Preferred (quar.)	Columbia Graphophone Mfg., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
Lawyers Title & Trust (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Sept. 16 to Oct. 1	Common (payable in common stock)	(p)	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Manufacturers, Brooklyn (quar.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Metropolitan (quar.)	2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Computing-Tabulating-Record. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 10	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
New York (quar.)	2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 26	Consolidated Cigar, com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	
People's, Brooklyn (quar.)	4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 29	Consol. Gas, El. L. & P. Balt. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Miscellaneous.				Continental Can, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Abitibi Power & Paper, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Continental Candy Corporation (quar.)	*25c	Oct. 20	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Advance Candy Mfg., pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Continental Motors Corp., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	*Oct. 7 to Oct. 15	
Advance-Rumely Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Creamery Package Mfg., com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 10	*Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
Aeolian Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 10	*Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
Aeolian, Weber Piano & Pianola, pf. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Crowell & Thurlow SS. (quar.)	75c	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Ahmeek Mining (quar.)	*50c	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Crucible Steel, com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 30	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a	
Alegheny Steel & Tube, pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Crucible Steel, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Allis-Chalmers Mfg., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 25a	Cuba Cane Sugar, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 24a	Cuban-American Sugar, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Amalgamated Leather Cos., Inc., pf. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Amalgamated Oil (quar.)	*1.50	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Daily West Mining (quar.)	*25c	Oct. 20	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
American Bank Note, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Dayton Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
American Beet Sugar, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Delion Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
American Bosch Magneto (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Detroit & Cleveland Navigation	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdy., new com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Detroit Iron & Steel, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
New preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Dodge Mfg., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
American Can, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 11a	Common (special)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
American Car & Foundry, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Dome Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
American Chicie, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Domination Canners, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 12	
American Cigar, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Domination Coal, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Amer. Exch. Secur. Corp., class A (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	Domination Glass, Ltd., common (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
American Express (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Preferred (quar.)	*50c	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 20	
Amer. Fruit Growers, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
American Gas & Electric, com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Edmund & Jones Corp., com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Amer. Hawaiian SS. (quar.)	*2 1/2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 16	Eisenlohr (Otto) & Bros., Inc., pf. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Amer. Hide & Leather, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 11a	Electric Storage Batt., com. & pf. (qu.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	
Amer. Internat. Corp., com. & pf. (quar.)	*1.50	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Endicott-Johnson Corp., com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 25	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Amer.-La France Fire Eng., com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Erie Lighting, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
American Locomotive, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	Fairbanks Co., pref. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	Fairbanks, Morse & Co., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
American Pottery, preferred	3 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Famous Players-Lasky Corp., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	
American Public Service Co., pref. (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 30	Sept. 23 to Sept. 30	Farrell (Wm.) & Son, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
American Radiator, common (quar.)	*25	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Fish Rubber, com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Amer. Rolling Mill, com. (in com. stock)	1 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Gen. Amer. Tank Car, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Amer. Seeding Mach., com. & pf. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Sept. 12 to Sept. 20	General Baking, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	
Amer. Smelters Securities, pf. A (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Sept. 12 to Sept. 20	Pref. (account, accumulated divs.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	
Preferred B (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Sept. 12 to Sept. 20	General Chemical preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	
American Snuff, com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	General Cigar, debenture pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24a	
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	General Electric (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 9a	
American Steel Foundries, com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a					

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	
Miscellaneous (Continued)								
Imperial Oil Corp., common (monthly).....	1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Regal Shoe, pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Preferred (quar.).....	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Reis (Robert & Co., 1st & 2d pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Indiana Refining (quar.).....	3	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	Remington Typewriter, 1st pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Indianapolis Water Works Sec., pref.	3 1/2	Oct. 1	Sept. 21 to Sept. 30	Second preferred (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Internat. Agric. Corp., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	First preferred, Series S (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Internat. Buttonhole Sewing Mach. (quar.).....	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Geo. Motor Car (quar.).....	*25c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 14	
Internat. Harvester, com. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 25a	Republic Iron & Steel, common (quar.).....	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a	
Int. Motor Truck, 1st & 2d pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
International Salt (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Reynolds (R. J.) Tobacco, com. (quar.).....	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
International Silver, preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Sept. 18 to Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Invader Oil & Refining (monthly).....	Extra			Riordan Co., Ltd., pref. (quar.) (No. 1).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 24	
Kaufmann Department Stores, pf. (quar.).....	1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Ritz-Carlton Hotel, preferred.....	3 1/2	Mar. 21		
Kayser (Julius) & Co., com. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Royal Baking Powder, com. (quar.).....	*2	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
First and second pref. (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 27a	Preferred (quar.).....	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Kelly-Springfield Tire, preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20a	Safety Car Heat & Lighting (quar.).....	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17	
Kennecott Copper Corp. (quar.).....	25c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	St. Joseph Lead, stock dividend.....	(o)	Oct. 1	Sept. 10 to Sept. 20	
Capital distribution.....	25c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 14a	St. Louis Rocky Mt. & Pac. Co., com. (quar.).....	1	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	
Kerr Lake Mining (quar.).....	12 1/2c.	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	
Keystone Tire & Rubber, com. (quar.).....	30c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Savoy Oil (quar.).....	3	Sept. 28	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	
Kohl Bakery, preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Seamans Oil (quar.).....	5	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Kresge (S. S.) Co., preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Sears, Roebuck & Co., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Kress (S. H.) Co., preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	Sherwin-Williams Co. of Canada, pf. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Lackawanna Steel, common (quar.).....	1 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Sloss-Sheffield Steel & I., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	
Laurentide Company (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 23	South Penn Oil (quar.).....	*5	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 13	
Lehigh Valley Coal Sales (quar.).....	1 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	South Porto Rico Sugar, com. (quar.).....	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Library Bureau, common (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Common (extra).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Preferred (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Liggett & Myers Tobacco, pref. (quar.).....	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Aug. 31	South West Penn Pipe Lines (quar.).....	*3	Oct. 1	*Sept. 16 to Oct. 1	
Lindsay Light, preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Standard Oil (Kentucky) (quar.).....	*3	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 27	
Locomobile Co., preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Standard Safe Deposit (quar.).....	*2 1/2	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 27	
Loose-Wiles Biscuit, 1st pref. (quar.).....	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Standard Screw, com. (quar.).....	6	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Lorillard (P.) Co., common (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Common (special).....	/40	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Preferred (quar.).....	*1 1/25	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Common (payable in common stock).....	*10c.	Oct. 5	*Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Lucy Mfg., class A (quar.).....	2	Oct. 10	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Steel & Tube of Amer., pref. (quar.).....	\$1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	
Lyall Construction Co. (quar.).....	2 1/2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Stromberg Carburetor (quar.).....	\$1.25	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Lyons Petroleum (No. 1).....	MacAndrews & Forbes, com. (quar.).....	4	Oct. 1	Stutz Motor Car (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Preferred (quar.).....	MacArthur Concrete Pile & Foun., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Swift & Co. (quar.).....	Temtor Corn & Fruit Prod. A & B (quar.).....	\$1	Oct. 5	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a
MacKay Companies, common (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a	Texas Company (quar.).....	3	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 17a	
Magor Car Corp., com. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a	Texas Pacific Coal & Oil (quar.).....	2 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	
Common (extra).....	Maginnis (H. R.) & Co., pref. (quar.).....	81.25	Oct. 1	Extra, payable in stock.....	e2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	
Preferred (quar.).....	Manati Sugar, pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Texon Oil & Land (quar.).....	5	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Manhattan Electrical Supply, com. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Thompson-Stearns Co., preferred.....	4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Common (payable in common stock).....	First preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Tide Water Oil (quar.).....	4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 24a	
Manhattan Shirt, pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21a	Tobacco Products Corp., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Manning, Maxwell & Moore (quar.).....	1 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Tonopah-Belmont Devel. (quar.).....	5	Oct. 1	Sept. 16 to Sept. 21	
Massachusetts Lighting Cos., pf. (quar.).....	\$1.50	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Tonopah Extension Mining (quar.).....	*5c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 10	
May Department Stores, pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Tucket Tobacco, common (quar.).....	1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	
McCrary Stores Corp., pref. (quar.).....	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Underwood Computing Mach., pf. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	
Merchants Despatch Transp. (quar.).....	*2 1/2	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 23	Underwood Typewriter, com. (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a	
Merck & Co., pref. (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 17	Preferred (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a	
Mergenthaler Linotype (quar.).....	2 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	Union Carbide & Carbon (quar.).....	*\$1.50	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 10	
Merrimack Chemical (quar.).....	Extra			United Drug, common (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Mexican Petroleum, common (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	81.25	Oct. 1	United Dyewood Corp., com. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Middle States Oil (quar.).....	3	Oct. 11	Holders of rec. Sept. 14	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Mill Factors Corp., Class A (quar.).....	40c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Preferred (quar.).....	3	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Montana Power, common (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	United Gas Improvement, common (quar.).....	\$1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	United Paperboard preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
Montgomery Ward & Co., pf. & Cl. A (quar.).....	Montgomery Ward & Co., pf. & Cl. A (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Jan. 17z	Holders of rec. Jan. 3z	
Narragansett Elec. Ltg. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15z	Holders of rec. July 1z	
National Aniline & Chem., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Preferred (quar.).....	50c.	Oct. 5	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Nat. Aniline & Chem., com. (in com. stk.).....	1/4	Oct. 9	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/2	Oct. 5	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
National Biscuit, com. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Preferred (quar.).....	1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 8a	
National Breweries (quar.).....	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Preferred (quar.).....	1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 8a	
National Lead, com. (quar.).....	1 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 24	Preferred (quar.).....	1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
National Oil, pref. (quar.).....	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.).....	1/4	Oct. 15z	Holders of rec. July 1z	
Nat. Sugar Refining (quar.).....	3 1/4	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 13	Preferred (quar.).....	50c.	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 22	
National Surety (quar.).....	25c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	Preferred (quar.).....	1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18a	
Nevada Consol. Copper (quar.).....	1 1/2	Sept. 28	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	Preferred (quar.).....	1/4	Oct. 27	Holders of rec. Sept. 16	
New River Co., preferred (quar.).....	4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	Utilities Securities Corp., pref. (quar.).....	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
New York Transit (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Vanadium Corp. of Amer. (quar.).....	\$1.50	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	
Niagara Falls Power, pref. (quar.).....	25c.	Oct. 20	Oct. 1 to Oct. 17	Vanctor Talking Machine, com. (quar.).....	*15	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	
Nipissing Mines Co. (quar.).....	Extra			Preferred (quar.).....	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	
North American Co. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Virginia-Carolina Chemical, com. (extra).....	2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	
Nova Scotia Steel & Coal, common (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke (in stock).....	e10	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	
Preferred (quar.).....	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Wabasso Cotton (quar.).....	2	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	
Ohio Body & Blower (quar.).....	*62 1/2c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 27	Wahl Co., common (quar.).....	*\$1	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 21	
Ohio Oil (quar.).....	1 1/2	Sept. 30	*Aug. 29 to Sept. 24	Preferred (quar.).....	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 21	
Ohio Oil (quar.).....	*84 75c.	Sept. 30	*Aug. 29 to Sept. 24	Preferred & 1st pref. (quar.).....	*25c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Oklahoma Producing & Refg., com. (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	1	Waldford System, common (quar.).....	*20c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Ontario Steel Products, common (quar.).....	Common (quar.).....	2	Feb. 15	Walworth Mfg., preferred (quar.).....	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20	
Common (quar.).....	Common (quar.).....	2	May 16	Second preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 22	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Nov. 15	Weber Piano Co., pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Feb. 16	West Coast Oil (quar.).....	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 25	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	May 15	Western Union Telegraph (quar.).....	*\$1.50	Oct. 5	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Aug. 15	Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 20a	
Orpheum Circuit, common (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	50c.	Oct. 1	Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg., com. (quar.).....	\$1	Oct. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	2	Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	
Otis Steel, pref. (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a	Weyman-Bruton Co., com. (quar.).....	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	
Ottawa Car Manufacturing (quar.).....	1	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	
Owens Bottle Co., com. (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	75c.	Oct. 1	Wheeling Steel Corp., com. (No. 1).....	1	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15	
Preferred (quar.).....	Preferred (quar.).....	1 1/4	Oct. 15	Preferred A.....	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	

Transactions at the New York Stock Exchange daily, weekly and yearly.—Brought forward from page 1257.

Week ending Sept. 24 1920.	Stocks.		Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Mun. & Foreign Bonds.	U. S. Bonds.
	Shares.	Par Value.			
Saturday	420,630	\$37,589,000	\$2,371,000	\$1,121,500	\$2,781,000
Monday	1,030,960	91,903,000	4,282,000	2,807,000	5,468,000
Tuesday	744,675	66,179,000	4,048,000	1,667,500	6,612,000
Wednesday	728,600	64,583,500	3,602,000	2,256,000	8,890,000
Thursday	934,630	83,008,500	4,535,000	1,729,500	9,705,000
Friday	605,704	51,740,400	3,688,000	1,322,000	11,072,850
Total	4,465,199	\$395,003,400	\$22,526,000	\$10,703,500	\$44,528,850

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week ending Sept. 24.		Jan. 1 to Sept. 24.		
	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.	
Stocks—No. shares	4,465,199	5,114,759	162,888,437	220,863,223	
Par value	\$395,003,400	\$465,049,600	\$14,358,517,575	\$20,169,720,605	
Bank shares, par			\$1,400	\$47,200	
Bonds					
Government bonds	\$44,528,850	\$61,467,500	\$1,999,868,700	\$1,788,758,800	
State, mun., &c., bds.	10,703,500	3,033,500	261,706,000	216,013,500	
RR. and misc. bds.	22,526,000	5,746,000	463,570,500	382,411,000	
Total bonds	\$77,758,350	\$73,247,000	\$2,725,145,200	\$2,387,183,300	

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week ending Sept. 24 1920.	Boston		Philadelphia.		Baltimore.	
	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.
Saturday	10,167	\$20,000	4,627	\$61,100	541	\$12,500
Monday	17,158	26,300	11,976	63,000	1,155	13,200
Tuesday	27,678	52,450	13,668	114,400	4,558	32,000
Wednesday	10,658	65,750	6,112	38,750	390	17,000
Thursday	16,523	54,700	7,898	191,300	964	40,000
Friday	11,639	18,000	4,264	3,000	2,634	13,600
Total	93,823	\$237,200	48,545	\$471,550	10,242	\$128,300

New York City Non-Member Banks and Trust Companies.—Following is the report made to the Clearing House by clearing non-member institutions which are not included in the "Clearing House Returns" in the next column:

RETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE.

(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discounts.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Net Time Deposits.	Nat'l Bank Circulation.
	Nat bks.June30	Ints'ments, &c.	Statebks.Jun.30	Tr. cos. June 30				
Members of Fed'l Res. Bank.								
Fed'l Res. Bank.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Battery Park Nat.	1,494	15,702	224	1,816	12,713	65	191	
Mutual Bank	200	697	10,683	293	1,521	10,139	355	
New Netherland	600	682	9,573	230	999	6,932	237	
W R Grace & Co's	500	1,108	3,913	34	386	1,600	658	
Yorkville Bank	200	755	14,427	367	1,360	8,062	6,895	
First-N Bk. Jer Cy	400	1,332	9,848	543	1,084	9,589	—	388
Total State Banks.	3,400	6,071	64,146	1,691	7,166	49,035	8,210	579
Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Bank of Wash Hts	100	444	3,605	465	226	3,751	30	—
Colonial Bank	600	1,400	15,136	2,024	1,512	16,383	—	—
Total Trust Companies	700	1,845	18,741	2,489	1,738	20,134	30	—
Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Hamilton Tr. Bkln.	500	1,005	9,399	608	375	7,511	888	—
Mech Tr. Bayonne	200	452	8,942	301	451	5,007	5,028	—
Total	700	1,458	18,341	909	826	12,518	5,916	—
Grand aggregate	4,800	9,374	101,228	5,089	9,730	a81,687	14,156	579
Comparison previous week	—	+1,615	+185	+564	+1,793	+74	—	—
Gr'd aggr Sept. 11	4,800	9,374	99,613	5,274	9,166	a79,894	14,082	582
Gr'd aggr Sept. 4	4,800	9,374	98,540	4,837	9,214	a76,704	14,043	582
Gr'd aggr Aug. 28	4,800	9,374	98,334	4,570	8,972	a77,768	14,164	583

a U. S. deposits deducted, \$729,000.

Bills payable, rediscounts, acceptances and other liabilities, \$6,814,000.

Excess reserve, increase \$242,790.

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House statement for the week ending Sept. 19 with comparative figures for the two weeks preceding is as follows. Reserve requirements for members of the Federal Reserve system are 10% on demand deposits and 3% on time deposits, all to be kept with the Federal Reserve Bank. "Cash in vaults" is not a part of legal reserve. For trust companies not members of the Federal Reserve system the reserve required is 15% on demand deposits and includes "Reserve with legal depositaries" and "Cash in vaults."

Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Week ending Sept. 19 1920.			Sept. 12 1920.	Sept. 5 1920.
	Members of F.R. System	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital	\$33,225.0	\$4,500.0	\$37,725.0	\$37,725.0	\$37,725.0
Surplus and profits	91,191.0	12,478.0	103,669.0	102,518.0	101,971.0
Loans, disc'ts & investments	718,277.0	36,379.0	754,656.0	751,334.0	753,461.0
Exchanges for Clear. House	26,331.0	494.0	26,825.0	24,448.0	31,071.0
Due from banks	122,753.0	14.0	122,767.0	110,631.0	110,281.0
Bank deposits	141,035.0	316.0	141,351.0	135,672.0	134,091.0
Individual deposits	531,454.0	20,422.0	551,876.0	539,362.0	543,849.0
Time deposits	9,009.0	250.0	9,259.0	9,261.0	8,326.0
Total deposits	681,498.0	20,988.0	702,486.0	684,295.0	686,266.0
U. S. deposits (not included)	—	—	13,842.0	1,542.0	3,018.0
Res're with legal deposit's	—	2,363.0	2,363.0	2,121.0	2,202.0
Res've with Fed. Res. Bank	54,921.0	—	54,921.0	54,891.0	54,061.0
Cash in vault*	13,888.0	898.0	14,786.0	13,841.0	13,418.0
Total reserve and cash held	68,809.0	3,261.0	72,070.0	10,853.0	69,681.0
Reserve required	52,610.0	3,046.0	55,656.0	55,287.0	54,927.0
Excess res. & cash in vault	16,199.0	215.0	16,414.0	15,566.0	14,754.0

* Cash in vault is not counted as reserve for Federal Reserve Bank members.

Boston Clearing House Banks.—We give below a summary showing the totals for all the items in the Boston Clearing House weekly statement for a series of weeks:

BOSTON CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS.

	Sept. 19 1920.	Changes from previous week.	Sept. 12 1920.	Sept. 5 1920.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Circulation	2,953,000	Dec. 7,000	2,960,000	2,965,000
Loans, disc'ts & investments	606,533,000	Inc. 7,438,000	599,095,000	593,189,000
Individual deposits, incl. U.S.	460,680,000	Incl. 121,132,000	448,548,000	444,284,000
Due to banks	115,867,000	Incl. 5,156,000	110,711,000	104,529,000
Time deposits	17,390,000	Dec. 94,000	17,484,000	17,717,000
United States deposits	8,340,000	Incl. 6,958,000	1,382,000	3,462,000
Exchanges for Clearing House	17,826,000	Incl. 285,000	17,541,000	15,572,000
Due from other banks	74,018,000	Incl. 6,794,000	67,224,000	65,883,000
Cash in bank & in F. R. Bank	55,506,000	Incl. 1,626,000	53,880,000	54,576,000
Reserve excess in bank and Federal Reserve Bank	6,514,000	Incl. 608,000	5,906,000	7,309,000

Statement of New York City Clearing House Banks and Trust Companies.—The following detailed statement shows the condition of the New York City Clearing House members for the week ending Sept. 18. The figures for the separate banks are the averages of the daily results. In the case of totals, actual figures at end of the week are also given:

NEW YORK WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discount.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Depos

STATEMENTS OF RESERVE POSITION OF CLEARING HOUSE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

	Averages.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	a Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks	\$ 540,621,000	\$ 540,621,000	\$ 524,409,540	\$ 16,211,460	\$ 540,621,000
State banks*	6,533,000	3,632,000	10,165,000	9,499,680	665,320
Trust companies*	1,916,000	5,048,000	6,964,000	6,871,800	92,200
Total Sept. 18	8,449,000	549,301,000	557,750,000	540,781,020	16,968,980
Total Sept. 11	8,554,000	527,386,000	535,940,000	524,751,740	11,188,260
Total Sept. 4	8,162,000	532,441,000	540,603,000	528,655,030	11,947,970
Total Aug. 28	8,104,000	525,165,000	533,269,000	527,188,470	6,080,530

	Actual Figures				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	b Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Member. Federal Reserve banks	\$ 542,991,000	\$ 542,991,000	\$ 524,319,060	\$ 18,671,940	\$ 542,991,000
State banks*	6,519,000	3,752,000	10,271,000	9,629,280	641,720
Trust companies*	1,889,000	4,962,000	6,851,000	6,869,250	def 18,250
Total Sept. 18	8,408,000	551,705,000	560,113,000	540,817,590	19,295,410
Total Sept. 11	8,346,000	545,198,000	553,544,000	529,464,800	24,079,200
Total Sept. 4	8,047,000	544,140,000	552,187,000	526,244,180	25,942,820
Total Aug. 28	8,025,000	535,183,000	543,208,000	528,974,950	14,233,050

* Not members of Federal Reserve Bank.

a This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Banks includes also amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: Sept. 18, \$6,957,660; Sept. 11, \$6,632,000; Sept. 4, \$6,931,860; Aug. 28, \$6,739,800.

b This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Bank includes also amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: Sept. 18, \$6,961,830; Sept. 11, \$6,434,000; Sept. 4, \$6,945,360; Aug. 28, \$6,865,950.

New York City State Banks and Trust Companies.—For explanation of discontinuance of these returns see item in Chronicle of August 14, page 643.

State Banks and Trust Companies Not in Clearing House.—The State Banking Department reports weekly figures showing the condition of State banks and trust companies in New York City *not in the Clearing House*, as follows:

SUMMARY OF STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN GREATER NEW YORK, NOT INCLUDED IN CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT.

(Figures Furnished by State Banking Department.)

	Sept. 18.	Differences from previous week.		
Loans and investments	\$784,750,400	Inc. \$3,141,400		
Specie	8,032,900	Inc. 13,600		
Currency and bank notes	17,839,800	Inc. 83,600		
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York	75,310,500	Inc. 3,860,200		
Total deposits	832,540,200	Inc. 17,345,000		
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositories, and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City, exchanges and U. S. deposits	781,141,600	Inc. 12,276,400		
Reserve on deposits	*141,684,400	Inc. 3,446,700		
Percentage of reserve, 20.6%.				
RESERVE.				
State Banks	—	Trust Companies		
Cash in vaults	\$25,600,100	16.05%	\$75,583,100	14.34%
Deposits in banks & trust companies	11,633,000	7.29%	28,868,200	5.47%
Total	\$37,233,100	23.34%	\$104,451,300	19.81%

* Includes deposits with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, which for the State banks and trust companies combined on Sept. 18 were \$75,310,500.

Banks and Trust Companies in New York City.—The averages of the New York City Clearing House banks and trust companies *combined* with those for the State banks and trust companies in Greater New York City outside of the Clearing House, are as follows:

The Federal Reserve Banks.—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board on Sept. 18. The figures for the system as a whole are given in the following table, and in addition we present the results for seven preceding weeks, together with those of corresponding week of last year. The second table shows the resources and liabilities separately for each of the twelve banks. The Federal Reserve Agents' Accounts (third table following) gives details regarding transactions in Federal Reserve notes between the Comptroller and Reserve Agents and between the latter and Federal Reserve banks. In commenting upon the return for the latest week the Federal Reserve Board say:

Aggregate reductions of about 166 millions in the holdings of discounted bills, accompanied by an increase of 61.1 millions in Treasury Certificate holdings and a reduction of 101.1 millions in net deposits are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on Sept. 17 1920. These changes reflect the week's heavy Government operations, including the redemption of the bulk of the principal and the semi-annual interest coupons of about 640 millions of tax certificates, the payment of semi-annual interest on the Third Liberty loan bonds, the collection of the quarterly installment of income and excess profits taxes all of which fell due on Sept. 15, and the issuance under the same date of 48.6 millions of new Treasury certificates.

Redemption of Treasury certificates enabled member banks to liquidate large amounts of bills held under discount by the Reserve banks. As a result Federal bank holdings of paper secured by Government war obligations decreased by 96.5 millions, while other discounts on hand show a reduction of 69.5 millions. Holdings of acceptances purchased in open market increased 4.6 millions. An increase of 61.1 millions in Treasury certificate holdings represents approximately the difference between the amount of special certificates given to the New York and Cleveland banks to cover advances to the Treasury, pending collection of funds from depositary institutions, and the amounts of certificates presented for redemption on Sept. 15 by the Reserve banks. Total earning assets of the Reserve banks show a reduction for the week of 100.3 millions.

COMBINED RESULTS OF BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN GREATER NEW YORK.

Week ended—	Loans and Investments.	Demand Deposits.	*Total Cash in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories.
July 17	\$ 5,933,082,000	\$ 4,955,519,800	\$ 129,651,100	\$ 691,297,100
July 24	5,939,839,600	4,909,587,400	124,771,800	641,112,900
July 31	5,922,559,300	4,867,495,100	129,596,400	647,841,700
Aug. 7	5,888,285,600	4,857,213,900	125,715,400	650,841,700
Aug. 14	5,883,338,600	4,814,390,800	126,676,200	647,879,600
Aug. 21	5,908,034,900	4,793,132,700	122,705,800	644,440,200
Aug. 28	5,906,454,700	4,750,119,900	113,816,000	635,852,100
Sept. 4	5,930,958,600	4,752,350,000	121,689,700	642,537,500
Sept. 11	5,909,242,000	4,724,943,200	119,424,400	639,681,000
Sept. 18	5,974,889,400	4,859,379,600	119,291,700	635,358,400

* This item includes gold, silver, legal tenders, national bank notes and Federal Reserve notes.

Condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

—The following shows the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the close of business Sept. 17 1920, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Sept. 17 1920.	Sept. 10 1920.	Sept. 19 1919.
Resources—			
Gold and gold certificates	\$ 81,829,519	\$ 63,613,194	\$ 139,243,000
Gold settlement fund—F. R. Board	25,537,530	75,563,930	152,696,000
Gold with foreign agencies	40,905,694	40,905,694	16,691,000
Total gold held by bank	148,272,744	180,082,819	308,630,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent	268,711,530	269,181,430	289,256,000
Gold redemption fund	35,857,000	35,898,900	25,000,000
Total gold reserves	452,841,275	485,163,150	622,886,000
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	128,978,114	125,126,243	51,330,000
Total reserves	581,819,389	610,289,394	674,216,000
Bills discounted:			
Secured by Government war oblig'n's:			
For members	492,507,110	547,146,782	483,052,000
All Other:			
For members	492,507,110	547,146,782	483,052,000
Less rediscounts with other Federal Reserve banks	30,975,000	34,600,000	-----
Total bills on hand	267,203,176	347,524,970	45,539,000
Bills bought in open market	103,702,288	102,655,394	73,522,000
Total bills on hand	863,412,575	997,327,146	602,113,000
U. S. Government bonds	1,462,347	1,462,347	1,257,000
U. S. Victory notes	50,000	50,000	50,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	171,485,000	76,594,000	130,786,000
Total earning assets	1,036,409,923	1,075,433,494	734,206,000
Bank premises	3,945,574	3,945,534	3,994,000
5% redemption fund against F. R. Bank notes	2,345,950	2,281,300	2,527,000
Gold in transit or custody in foreign countries			
Uncollectible items and other deductions*	269,515,809	179,386,797	261,279,000
All other resources	850,100	1,037,188	3,129,000
Total resources	1,894,886,747	1,872,373,709	1,793,489,000
Liabilities—			
Capital paid in	25,353,000	25,353,000	22,060,000
Surplus	51,307,534	51,307,534	32,922,000
Government deposits	94,570	94,494,370	169,000
Due to members—reserve account	732,127,026	719,671,638	646,592,000
Deferred availability items	125,807,400	110,180,178	208,935,000
Other deposits, incl. foreign govt. credits	19,500,794	19,312,789	77,992,000
Total gross deposits	881,529,792	858,658,976	933,688,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	861,597,310	864,438,380	747,239,000
F. R. Bank notes in circulation—net lab	40,611,000	39,001,000	48,197,000
All other liabilities	34,488,110	33,614,813	9,383,000
Total liabilities	1,894,886,747	1,872,373,709	1,793,489,000
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	39.5%	39.5%	51.6%
Ratio of gold reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after deducting 35% against deposit liabilities	-----	-----	64.1%
Ratio of reserves to net deposits after deducting 40% gold reserves against F. R. notes in circulation	38.8%	38.9%	-----
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	6,073,683	6,075,832.22	-----

Of the total of 1,202.6 millions of paper secured by Government war obligations 615.8 millions, or 51.2%, were secured by Liberty bonds, 312.3 millions, or 26%, by Victory notes, and 274.5, or 22.3%, by Treasury certificates, as against 52, 24.3 and 23.7% of a corresponding total of 1,299.1 millions reported the week before. Totals of discounted paper held by the Boston, Philadelphia and Cleveland banks include about 173 millions of paper discounted for the New York bank and six other Reserve banks in the South and Middle West, while acceptance holdings of the Philadelphia and San Francisco banks are inclusive of 14.4 millions of bankers' bills purchased from the New York bank.

Government deposits show an increase for the week of 104.2 millions, members' reserve and other deposits—a reduction of about 3.5 millions, while the "float," in consequence of the large volume of tax checks and drafts received by the Reserve banks, shows an increase of 201.8 millions. Net deposits accordingly figure out 101.1 millions less than the week before.

Federal Reserve note circulation for the first time since July 23 shows a moderate reduction (by 5.5 millions), while Federal Reserve Bank note circulation shows a further expansion of 3.1 millions. Cash reserves of the banks, notwithstanding the loss of slightly over 3 millions of gold, show a gain of 1.9 millions. The Banks' reserve ratio, mainly in consequence of the reduction in deposit liabilities, shows a rise for the week from 42.8 to 43.8%.

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS SEPT. 17 1920.

Sept. 17 1920.	Sept. 10 1920.	Sept. 3 1920.	Aug. 27 1920.	Aug. 20 1920.	Aug. 13 1920.	Aug. 6 1920.	July 30 1920.	Sept. 19 1919.
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	Sept. 17 1920.	Sept. 10 1920.	Sept. 3 1920.	Aug. 27 1920.	Aug. 20 1920.	Aug. 13 1920.	Aug. 6 1920.	July 30 1920.	Sept. 19 1919
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	\$ 160,018,000	\$ 155,021,000	\$ 155,647,000	\$ 156,002,000	\$ 155,486,000	\$ 155,527,000	\$ 151,139,000	\$ 150,936,000	\$ 70,091,000
Total reserves.	2,133,145,000	2,131,247,000	2,117,957,000	2,127,827,000	2,121,837,000	2,132,885,000	2,131,744,000	2,128,640,000	2,162,057,000
Bills discounted.									
Secured by Govt. war obligations.	1,202,593,000	1,299,123,000	1,332,892,000	1,314,830,000	1,301,609,000	1,296,981,000	1,285,398,000	1,241,017,000	1,383,896,000
All other.	1,306,610,000	1,376,076,000	1,412,035,000	1,352,297,000	1,317,820,000	1,292,025,000	1,264,435,000	1,250,613,000	261,985,000
Bills bought in open market.	321,605,000	316,982,000	313,501,000	321,965,000	320,597,000	320,618,000	339,390,000	345,305,000	353,817,000
Total bills on hand.	2,830,808,000	2,992,181,000	3,058,428,000	2,989,092,000	2,940,026,000	2,909,624,000	2,889,223,000	2,836,935,000	1,999,698,000
U. S. Government bonds.	26,805,000	26,807,000	26,806,000	26,810,000	26,809,000	26,810,000	26,810,000	26,791,000	27,095,000
U. S. Victory notes.	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	192,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.	393,479,000	332,426,000	279,633,000	273,701,000	277,158,000	277,836,000	271,490,000	298,520,000	322,986,000
Total earning assets.	3,251,161,000	3,351,483,000	3,364,936,000	3,289,672,000	3,244,062,000	3,214,339,000	3,187,592,000	3,162,315,000	2,349,971,000
Bank premises.	15,263,000	15,086,000	*14,921,000	14,869,000	14,654,000	14,604,000	14,444,000	14,289,000	
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits.	1,097,408,000	837,060,000	*753,707,000	729,889,000	785,240,000	798,155,000	733,688,000	711,074,000	1,139,266,000
5% redemption fund agst. F. R. bank notes.	12,024,000	11,788,000	11,695,000	11,956,000	11,600,000	11,947,000	12,644,000	12,684,000	11,289,000
All other resources.	4,660,000	6,569,000	*3,875,000	4,558,000	3,827,000	3,859,000	3,331,000	3,767,000	10,886,000
Total resources.	6,513,661,000	6,353,233,000	*6,267,091,000	6,178,771,000	6,181,220,000	6,175,789,000	6,083,443,000	6,032,769,000	5,686,669,000
LIABILITIES.									
Capital paid in.	97,386,000	97,191,000	97,133,000	97,055,000	96,759,000	96,551,000	95,341,000	95,225,000	85,268,000
Surplus.	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	81,087,000
Government deposits.	135,178,000	30,975,000	65,387,000	43,510,000	54,959,000	11,623,000	20,253,000	12,167,000	78,134,000
Due to members, reserve account.	1,821,833,000	1,828,924,000	*1,829,832,000	1,818,502,000	1,793,675,000	1,834,542,000	1,818,798,000	1,808,156,000	1,651,426,000
Deferred availability items.	676,275,000	617,785,000	*554,475,000	542,564,000	591,094,000	599,397,000	549,778,000	536,690,000	802,715,000
Other deposits, incl. for'n gov't credits.	42,409,000	38,793,000	39,123,000	43,180,000	44,828,000	45,043,000	44,821,000	51,296,000	106,899,000
Total gross deposits.	2,675,695,000	2,516,477,000	*2,488,817,000	2,447,756,000	2,484,556,000	2,490,605,000	2,431,650,000	2,408,309,000	2,639,174,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation.	3,289,681,000	3,295,175,000	3,243,270,000	3,203,637,000	3,174,725,000	3,169,181,000	3,141,861,000	3,120,138,000	2,621,258,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liab.	212,219,000	209,083,000	205,423,000	200,793,000	198,563,000	196,912,000	194,834,000	192,168,000	232,594,000
All other liabilities.	73,955,000	70,562,000	67,703,000	64,785,000	61,872,000	57,795,000	55,012,000	52,184,000	27,288,000
Total liabilities.	6,513,661,000	6,353,233,000	*6,267,091,000	6,178,771,000	6,181,220,000	6,175,789,000	6,083,443,000	6,032,769,000	5,686,669,000
Ratio of gold reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.	40.5%	39.72%	39.4%	40.2%	40.3%	40.6%	40.9%	41.1%	
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.	43.8%	42.8%	42.5%	43.2%	43.5%	43.9%	44.0%	44.2%	52.5%
Ratio of total reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against net deposit liabilities.	48.1%	46.8%	46.6%	47.7%	48.1%	48.6%	48.9%	49.2%	62.5%
<i>Distribution by Maturities—</i>									
1-15 days bills bought in open market.	\$ 109,503,000	\$ 112,627,000	\$ 99,481,000	\$ 110,768,000	\$ 112,734,000	\$ 114,917,000	\$ 114,800,000	\$ 99,100,000	\$ 99,259,000
1-15 days bills discounted.	1,349,550,000	1,608,558,000	1,666,391,000	1,581,792,000	1,515,379,000	1,549,969,000	1,529,341,000	1,464,290,000	1,443,535,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.	147,405,000	84,560,000	32,568,000	27,325,000	25,538,000	27,340,000	17,967,000	42,325,000	121,321,000
16-30 days bills bought in open market.	62,189,000	67,941,000	77,394,000	79,865,000	70,815,000	71,014,000	69,882,000	86,034,000	108,054,000
16-30 days bills discounted.	265,315,000	268,947,000	243,771,000	247,986,000	219,669,000	189,632,000	189,930,000	225,623,000	49,019,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.	13,052,000	17,195,000	20,695,000	15,441,000	19,483,000	16,700,000	12,900,000	12,000,000	11,659,000
31-60 days bills bought in open market.	123,260,000	107,939,000	109,404,000	105,240,000	110,891,000	105,155,000	122,345,000	122,544,000	111,087,000
31-60 days bills discounted.	579,209,000	512,529,000	504,969,000	491,886,000	511,330,000	458,770,000	434,400,000	426,928,000	166,970,000
31-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.	23,108,000	25,029,000	27,929,000	34,431,000	28,524,000	38,102,000	37,738,000	27,430,000	19,676,000
61-90 days bills bought in open market.	26,653,000	28,475,000	27,222,000	26,092,000	26,157,000	26,157,000	32,363,000	30,627,000	43,605,000
61-90 days bills discounted.	286,988,000	253,001,000	294,330,000	301,240,000	332,684,000	56,230,000	342,326,000	304,257,000	88,579,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.	22,382,000	16,700,000	12,501,000	11,002,000	16,908,000	170,191,000	40,273,000	28,144,000	18,032,000
Over 90 days bills bought in open market.	28,141,000	32,164,000	35,466,000	44,223,000	40,367,000	56,230,000	53,836,000	70,532,000	6,735,000
Over 90 days bills discounted.	187,532,000	188,942,000	185,940,000	185,502,000	186,705,000	170,191,000	162,612,000	188,621,000	170,967,000
Over 90 days certif. of indebtedness.									
<i>Federal Reserve Notes—</i>									
Outstanding.	3,581,625,000	3,549,041,000	3,501,897,000	3,471,731,000	3,462,875,000	3,450,969,000	3,438,500,000	3,425,788,000	2,830,146,000
Held by banks.	291,944,000	253,755,000	258,627,000	268,094,000	288,150,000	281,788,000	296,639,000	305,650,000	208,918,000
In actual circulation.	3,289,681,000	3,295,175,000	3,243,270,000	3,203,637,000	3,174,725,000	3,169,181,000	3,141,861,000	3,120,138,000	2,621,228,000
<i>Fed. Res. Notes (Agent's Accounts)—</i>									
Received from the Comptroller.	7,582,040,000	7,525,140,000	7,468,540,000	7,435,580,000	7,387,780,000	7,338,200,000	7,290,760,000	7,276,540,000	5,195,640,000
Returned to the Comptroller.	3,554,226,000	3,537,490,000	3,511,315,000	3,490,516,000	3,465,042,000	3,439,212,000	3,408,446,000	3,381,434,000	1,962,997,000
Amount chargeable to Fed. Res. agent.	4,027,814,000	3,987,650,000	3,957,225,000	3,945,064,000	3,922,738,000	3,898,988,000	3,882,314,000	3,895,106,000	3,232,643,000
In hands of Federal Reserve Agent.	446,189,000	438,609,000	455,328,000	473,333,000	459,863,000	448,019,000	443,814,000	469,318,000	402,497,000
Issued to Federal Reserve banks.	3,581,625,000	3,549,041,000	3,501,897,000	3,471,731,000	3,462,875,000	3,450,969,000	3,438,500,000	3,425,788,000	2,830,146,000
<i>How Secured—</i>									
By gold and gold certificates.	279,226,000	274,225,000	274,225,000	260,226,000	260,226,000	260,226,000	259,226,000	259,226,000	243,248,000
By eligible paper.	2,343,683,000	2,401,802,000	2,						

<i>Two ciphers omitted.</i>	<i>Boston</i>	<i>New York</i>	<i>Phila.</i>	<i>Cleveland</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Atlanta</i>	<i>Chicago</i>	<i>St. Louis</i>	<i>Minneap.</i>	<i>Kan. City</i>	<i>Dallas</i>	<i>San Fran.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
LIABILITIES (Concluded)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent.	56.7	39.5	52.0	50.5	42.7	41.0	40.9	39.5	38.5	42.0	41.0	45.2	43.8
Memoranda—Contingent liability													
Discounted paper rediscounted with other F. R. banks	10,975,0	-----	-----	20,000,0	34,748,0	-----	27,978,0	15,432,0	26,729,0	37,185,0	-----	173,047,0	
Bankers' acceptances sold to other F. R. banks without endors't	14,379,0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	14,379,0	
Contingent lab. on bills purch. for foreign correspondents	1,168,0	6,074,0	1,280,0	1,312,0	784,0	576,0	1,904,0	752,0	432,0	768,0	416,0	736,0	16,202,0
(a) Includes bills discounted for other F. R. banks, viz.	45,308,0	15,767,0	111,972,0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	173,047,0	
(b) Includes bankers' acceptances bought fr om other F. R. banks:	5,795,0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	8,584,0	14,379,0
Without their endorsement	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS SEPT. 17 1920.

<i>Federal Reserve Agent at—</i>	<i>Boston</i>	<i>New York</i>	<i>Phila.</i>	<i>Clevel.</i>	<i>Richm'd</i>	<i>Atlanta</i>	<i>Chicago</i>	<i>St. L.</i>	<i>Minn.</i>	<i>K. City</i>	<i>Dallas</i>	<i>San Fr.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Resources—(In Thousands of Dollars).	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Federal Reserve notes on hand	40,800	143,000	33,780	26,205	25,799	69,110	60,800	19,520	6,205	5,430	10,160	5,380	446,189
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	321,049	969,939	289,799	366,144	145,198	150,745	618,527	150,376	81,629	112,273	91,816	284,130	3,581,625
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding:	5,900	209,608	-----	32,025	-----	2,500	-----	3,810	13,052	-----	12,331	-----	279,226
Gold and gold certificates	21,762	14,104	15,402	19,757	1,883	4,186	8,608	3,451	1,001	3,646	5,632	16,168	115,600
Gold redemption fund	131,000	45,000	116,389	100,000	45,500	46,500	185,144	40,631	16,200	35,360	8,734	72,658	843,116
Gold settlement fund—Federal Reserve Board	162,387	701,227	158,008	214,362	97,815	97,559	424,775	102,484	51,376	73,267	65,119	195,304	2,343,683
Amount required	17,306	131,715	8,092	17,627	14,717	25,790	77,210	20,227	16,802	42,276	8,002	9,214	388,978
Eligible paper: (Excess amount held)	700,204	2,214,593	621,470	776,120	330,912	396,390	1,375,064	340,499	186,265	272,252	201,794	582,854	7,998,417
Total Liabilities—	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller, gross	645,500	2,270,740	649,280	668,900	365,880	375,500	1,129,800	366,020	173,080	249,020	184,340	503,980	7,582,040
Less amounts returned for destruction	283,651	1,157,801	325,701	276,551	194,883	155,645	450,473	196,124	85,246	131,317	82,364	214,470	3,554,226
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	361,849	1,112,939	323,579	392,349	170,997	219,855	679,327	169,596	87,834	117,703	101,976	289,510	4,027,814
Collateral received from Comptroller of the Currency	158,662	268,712	131,791	151,782	47,383	53,186	193,752	47,892	30,253	39,006	26,697	88,826	1,237,942
Federal Reserve bank: (Gold)	179,693	832,942	166,100	231,989	112,532	123,349	501,985	122,711	68,178	115,543	73,121	204,518	2,732,661
Total	700,204	2,214,593	621,470	776,120	330,912	396,390	1,375,064	340,499	186,265	272,252	201,794	582,854	7,998,417
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	321,049	969,939	289,799	366,144	145,198	150,745	618,527	150,376	81,629	112,273	91,816	284,130	3,581,625
Federal Reserve notes held by banks	15,356	108,342	13,760	21,941	6,338	4,304	63,707	15,798	1,190	5,562	3,866	31,780	291,944
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	305,693	861,597	276,039	344,203	138,860	146,441	554,820	134,578	80,439	106,711	87,950	252,350	3,289,681

Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System.—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board giving the principal items of the resources and liabilities of the Member Banks. Definitions of the different items in the statement were given in the statement of Dec. 14 1917, published in the "Chronicle" Dec. 29 1917, page 2523.

STATEMENT SHOWING PRINCIPAL RESOURCE AND LIABILITY ITEMS OF REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN FEDERAL RESERVE BANK AND BRANCH CITIES AND ALL OTHER REPORTING BANKS AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 10 1920.

Liquidation of 71.7 millions of Treasury certificates, of which 45 millions represents the amount sold to Federal Reserve banks, as against a further substantial increase in the volume of commercial loans and discounts is indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly statement showing condition on Sept. 10 of 818 member banks in leading cities.	Accommodation of all reporting banks at the Federal Reserve banks, as shown on the books of the latter, shows a reduction by 59.7 millions from 2,201.9 to 2,142.2 millions, and constituted 12.7% of the banks' total loans and investments on Sept. 10, as against slightly over 13% on the preceding Friday. For the New York City banks a reduction under this head from 865.7 to 826.6 millions is noted, resulting in a decline of the ratio of accommodation at the Federal Reserve bank from 15.3 to 14.7%.
United States bond holdings show an increase for the week of about 6 millions, while those of Victory notes decreased by 3.7 millions. These changes, in combination with the liquidation of 71.7 millions of Treasury certificates above mentioned, account for a reduction of 69.3 millions in total United States security holdings. For the member banks in New York City corresponding reductions of 67.6 millions in Treasury certificates and of 66.1 millions in total United States securities are shown. Loans supported by Government obligations and by corporate securities show but slight increases, while other loans and investments, including commercial loans and discounts show increases of about 60 millions for all reporting banks and of 33.5 millions for the New York City members. In consequence of the above changes in the several earning assets, total loans and investments show a decline of 4.5 millions. For the New York City banks a considerably larger decline of 29.3 millions is noted.	As against a further decrease of 31.7 millions in Government deposits and a 3.4 million increase in time deposits, an increase of 118.3 millions in other demand deposits—partly in anticipation of payments of income and excess profits taxes—is shown. In the case of the New York City banks a reduction of 13.8 millions in government deposits is accompanied by an increase of 32.1 millions in other demand deposits. Reserve balances, notwithstanding the considerable increase in demand deposits, show a reduction of 5.5 millions, while cash in vault, largely Federal Reserve notes, went up by 25.6 millions, material gains in cash being shown for the banks located in Federal Reserve points as well as by the country banks.

1. Data for all reporting member banks in each Federal Reserve District at close of business September 10 1920. Three ciphers (000) omitted.

<i>Federal Reserve District.</i>	<i>Boston</i>	<i>New York</i>	<i>Philadel.</i>	<i>Cleveland</i>	<i>Richm'd</i>	<i>Atlanta</i>	<i>Chicago</i>	<i>St. Louis</i>	<i>Minneap.</i>	<i>Kan. City</i>	<i>Dallas</i>	<i>San Fran.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Number of reporting banks	47	113	59	92	82	47	106	35	35	83	51	68	818
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	\$12,354	\$46,525	\$11,347	\$42,235	\$29,329	\$14,285	\$21,549	\$16,923	\$7,371	\$15,471	\$19,573	\$32,635	\$269,597
Other U. S. bonds, incl. Liberty bonds	15,981	254,059	29,205	60,448	32,798	28,767	53,045	13,299	9,876	25,182	22,085	64,682	609,427
U. S. Victory notes	6,202	81,390	8,960	18,709	7,184	4,317	38,409	2,686	1,036	5,208	3,100	11,916	189,117
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	18,319	147,887	21,644	25,237	12,059	11,111	65,020	5,615	3,054	8,415	5,604	26,419	350,384
Total U. S. securities	52,856	529,861	71,156	146,629	81,370	58,480	178,023	38,523	21,337	54,276	50,362	135,652	1,418,525
Loans and investments, including bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank	46,048	471,824	85,571	74,963	31,963	31,821	98,420	31,790	16,279	26,569	10,721	33,035	959,004
Loans sec. by U. S. war obligations	185,670	1,262,263	205,311	320,403	106,583	61,316	472,321	126,393	32,808	81,157	42,057	151,125	3,047,407
All other loans and investments	800,989	4,093,719	594,749	961,321	404,823	417,142	1,762,417	417,187	291,304	514,806	258,708	981,366	11,498,531
Total loans and investments, including rediscounts with F. R. banks	1,085,563	6,357,667	956,787	1,503,316	624,739	568,759	2,511,181	613,893	361,728	676,808	361,848	1,301,178	16,923,467
Reserve balances with F. R. Bank	80,931	661,683	72,315	104,220	38,379	30,034	187,213	41,527	23,828	46,046	24,246	79,056	1,389,478
Cash in vault	25,785	121,219	18,249	31,896	17,219	14,216	69,544	9,580	9,325	15,237	11,964	30,860	375,094
Net demand deposits	820,312	5,027,538	696,909	938,051	354,272	269,249	1,423,836	325,285	211,344	425,300	224,443	654,051	11,370,590
Time deposits	144,634	465,155	38,952	375,510	107,391	150,849	630,279	125,566	63,980	97,441	54,751	516,700	2,771,208
Government deposits	3,073	13,471	1,880	2,804	949	803	3,315	759	175	954	375	1,496	30,054
Bills payable with F. R. Bank:	Secured by U. S. war obligations	27,171											

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Wall Street, Friday Night, Sept. 24 1920.

Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—The stock market has this week reflected the drift of public sentiment under the influence of the improved railway situation and the steadily increasing tendency to lower commodity prices. The latter has been apparent for some time past in fabrics, both woolen and cotton, and has been emphasized this week by the announcement of two large mail order establishments that a reduction of from 10 to 20% in catalogue prices is now being made and a similar announcement by two of the best known motor car manufacturers. This tendency is already well under way in some food supplies, notably in sugar, and corn has this week been reported as selling in the Chicago market at less than a dollar a bushel, the lowest price recorded since 1917. Wheat has also declined sharply, selling today 18 cents a week ago. The effect of all this in the stock market has been a general advance in railway issues and a very substantial decline in many industrial stocks. Of a list of 20 prominent, well known issues of this group, 2 are fractionally higher than last week and several of the 18 which declined lost from 5 to 10 points.

Today's market has been exceptionally dull and price changes were generally unimportant. Only about 500,000 shares were traded in, as against over 1,000,000 earlier in the week.

Call loans have held steady throughout the week at 7%. Sterling exchange has fluctuated over a range of 4 points or more and closed near the lowest.

TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY.

For transactions on New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore exchanges see page 1253.

The following sales have occurred this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

STOCKS. Week ending Sept. 24.	Sales for Week.	Range for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.						
		Lowest.	Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.					
Par.	Shares	\$ per share.	\$ per share.	\$ per share.	\$ per share.					
Allied Chem & Dye no par	11,800	59 1/2	Sept 24	61 1/2	Sept 20	59 1/2	Sept 24	62 1/2	Sept 20	
Preferred.	300	90 1/2	Sept 20	91	Sept 18	89 1/2	Sept 24	91	Sept 20	
Am Brake S & F. no par	500	55	Sept 20	55 1/2	Sept 20	53 1/2	Sept 24	60	July	
Preferred.	100	100	88 1/2	Sept 24	88 1/2	Sept 24	86	90	July	
Am Tobacco com B.	18,000	122 1/2	Sept 18	132 1/2	Sept 24	102	Aug 210	100	June	
Ann Arbor	100	400	16	Sept 18	18	Sept 24	7	Jan 18	Sept	
Preferred.	100	300	33	Sept 22	34	Sept 22	20	May 34	Sept	
Assets Realization	10	700	2 1/2	Sept 20	3	Sept 24	2	Aug 6 1/2	Apr	
Atlantic Fruit no par	900	18 1/2	Sept 24	20	Sept 22	18	Sept 24	20 1/2	Aug	
Atlantic Refg pref.	100	300	108	Sept 24	108 1/2	Sept 22	103	May 114	Feb	
Austin, Nichols, pref. 100	100	76	Sept 23	76	Sept 23	76	Sept 24	82	June	
Auto Sales pref.	50	100	13	Sept 20	13	Sept 20	13	Sept 30 1/2	Sept	
Brunswick Terminal	100	500	5 1/2	Sept 23	6	Sept 22	4 1/2	Aug 8 1/2	Mar	
Certain-Teed Prod no par	100	52 1/2	Sept 20	52 1/2	Sept 20	40	May 62	62	Jan	
Chicago & Alton	100	4,100	10	Sept 18	13 1/2	Sept 24	6	Feb 13 1/2	Sept	
Preferred.	100	1,000	17 1/2	Sept 22	20	Sept 24	12	Aug 20	Sept	
Chic & East Ill tr rect.	800	12 1/2	Sept 24	13	Sept 24	4	Feb 13	13	Sept	
Preferred tr rec.	4,600	13	Sept 23	15 1/2	Sept 24	4 1/2	Jan 15	15	Sept	
C St P M & Omaha	100	200	65	Sept 21	66	Sept 22	58	June 66	Mar	
Cluett, Peabody & Co 100	100	70	Sept 18	70	Sept 18	69	Sept 106	106	Jan	
Continental Insur.	25	50	70 1/2	Sept 23	70 1/2	Sept 23	68	Aug 82	Jan	
Crex Carpet	100	100	59 1/2	Sept 20	59 1/2	Sept 20	45 1/2	Aug 64	Apr	
Davison Chemical no par	1,300	35 1/2	Sept 18	39	Sept 22	32	Aug 39	Sept		
Detroit United Ry.	100	200	83	Sept 21	93	Sept 18	83	Sept 101	Jan	
Duluth S S & Atl.	100	600	4	Sept 18	5 1/2	Sept 23	3	May 5 1/2	Feb	
Preferred.	100	2,300	8 1/2	Sept 21	10	Sept 23	7	Apr 11	Feb	
Durham Hosiery	50	200	40	Sept 24	43	Sept 22	40	Sept 67 1/2	Jan	
Preferred.	100	100	92	Sept 21	92	Sept 21	92	Sept 102 1/2	Jan	
Emerson-Branting	100	200	15	Sept 18	15	Sept 18	15	Sept 29	Jan	
Guantanamo Sug. no par	700	18	Sept 23	19 1/2	Sept 20	17 1/2	Aug 20 1/2	Aug		
Habirshaw E C. no par	400	14 1/2	Sept 22	15 1/2	[Sept 18]	14 1/2	Sept 15 1/2	Sept		
Homestake Mining	100	300	46	Sept 24	47 1/2	Sept 22	46	Sept 71	Jan	
Hydraulic Steel no par	1,000	30 1/2	Sept 22	31 1/2	Sept 18	30 1/2	Sept 33 1/2	Sept		
Indian Refining	10	100	19 1/2	Sept 20	19 1/2	Sept 20	19 1/2	Sept 20 1/2	Sept	
Internat Paper pref.	100	200	100	Sept 21	100	Sept 21	100	Sept 103	Sept	
Iowa Central	100	600	5	Sept 18	6 1/2	Sept 23	4	May 6 1/2	Apr	
Kayser & Co 1st pref. 100	100	100	103	Sept 21	103	Sept 21	103	Sept 112	Aug	
Keokuk & Des M.	100	600	6 1/2	Sept 22	7	Sept 22	3	June 7	Sept	
Kelly-Springf 6% pf. 100	100	82 1/2	Sept 23	82 1/2	Sept 23	82	Aug 91	91	Apr	
Kresge (S S) Co.	100	200	125	Sept 23	125	Sept 23	120	Aug 155	Jan	
Lake Erie & Western	100	3,100	14	Sept 18	17	Sept 24	8 1/2	Feb 17	Sept	
Preferred.	100	800	24 1/2	Sept 18	35 1/2	Sept 24	16	Feb 35 1/2	Sept	
Loose Wiles 1st pref. 100	100	93 1/2	Sept 23	93 1/2	Sept 23	93 1/2	Sept 100	Jan		
Mall'son (H R) & Cono par	300	18	Sept 20	18	Sept 20	15	Aug 45	45	Mar	
Preferred.	100	100	57 1/2	Sept 23	57 1/2	Sept 23	52	Aug 80 1/2	Apr	
Marlin Rock v t c. no par	15	45	Sept 20	45	Sept 20	15	Aug 45	45	Mar	
Martin Parry no par	900	22	Sept 24	23 1/2	Sept 22	19 1/2	Sept 30 1/2	30 1/2	Jan	
Maxwell Motor	100	5,800	7	Sept 22	9	Sept 20	7	Sept 38	Sept	
Certificates of deposit.	First preferred	100	7	Sept 22	7	Sept 22	7	Sept 35 1/2	Jan	
Certificates of dep.	First preferred	1,700	16 1/2	Sept 21	19	Sept 20	16	Aug 63 1/2	Jan	
M St P & S S Marie	100	400	17 1/2	Sept 21	18 1/2	Sept 21	15	Aug 62 1/2	Jan	
Preferred.	100	600	75	Sept 24	79 1/2	Sept 21	63	Feb 80	Mar	
Mullins Body no par	25	90	Sept 21	90	Sept 21	80 1/2	June 94	94	Feb	
Nashv Chatt & St L.	500	31 1/2	Sept 23	32 1/2	Sept 18	29 1/2	Sept 51	51	Jan	
National Biscuit pref.	400	105	Sept 23	110	Sept 23	100	Aug 111 1/2	Jan		
Norfolk Southern	100	100	210	210	Sept 21	103 1/2	July 116	116	Jan	
Norfolk & Western pref.	900	20 1/2	Sept 22	23	Sept 20	10	Feb 29	29	[Mar]	
Ohio Body & Blow no par	100	67	Sept 24	67	Sept 24	64	May 73	73	Jan	
Orpheum Circuit	500	19	Sept 23	21	Sept 18	19	Sept 29 1/2	29 1/2	June	
Penney (J C) pref.	3,100	27 1/2	Sept 24	28 1/2	Sept 20	26 1/2	Sept 28 1/2	28 1/2	Sept	
Peoria & Eastern	100	100	86	Sept 18	86	Sept 18	86	Sept 98	May	
Phillips Jones no par	1,300	12	Sept 23	16	Sept 22	9	June 16	16	Mar	
Pittsburgh Steel pref.	200	50	Sept 23	50	Sept 23	50	July 68	68	Mar	
Rand Mines Ltd. no par	200	90	Sept 24	90	Sept 24	73 1/2	June 94 1/2	94 1/2	Jan	
Rensselaer & Sar.	100	100	24 1/2	Sept 21	24 1/2	Sept 21	24 1/2	Sept 29	29	
Shattuck Ariz Copper	800	8 1/2	Sept 20	9	Sept 23	8 1/2	June 12 1/2	12 1/2	Jan	
So Porto Rico Sugar	200	130	Sept 21	130	Sept 23	100	Aug 310	310	Apr	
Superior Oil no par	6,700	18 1/2	Sept 23	20	Sept 18	18 1/2	Sept 20 1/2	20	Sept	
Third Avenue Ry.	1,600	11 1/2	Sept 23	12 1/2	Sept 18	9 1/2	Aug 17 1/2	17 1/2	Mar	
Tidewater Oil	100	109	210	210	Sept 20	190	May 229	229	Mar	
Toledo St L & West.	100	300	12	Sept 22	14	Sept 24	12	Sept 14	Sept	
Trust receipts.	10,300	13 1/2	Sept 20	17 1/2	Sept 24	10 1/2	Feb 17 1/2	17 1/2	Sept	
Preferred trust recs.	2,000	20 1/2	Sept 20	24 1/2	Sept 24	15	May 24 1/2	24 1/2	Sept	
Wisconsin Central	100	4,100	31	Sept 20	35	Sept 22	25	May 35	35	Sept

State and Railroad Bonds.—Sales of State bonds at the Board are limited to \$146,000, Virginian 6s deferred trust receipts at 65 to 66 1/2.

The market for railway and industrial bonds has maintained its late record for activity and strength. Moreover, the transactions have included a larger number of issues

than usual, several of which have been infrequently mentioned of late. Of 25 notably active bonds 18 have advanced. Of these So. Pac. conv. 4s are conspicuous as leaders in an upward movement of 2 1/2 points, while U. P. conv. 4s are 1 1/2 higher and Am. Tel. & Tel. 6s, Ches. & Ohio 4 1/2s, New York Cent. 6s, So. Pac. fd. 4s, So. Ry. 5s, Inter. Mer. Mar. 6s, Gen. Elec. 6s, and some of the local tractions have gained a point or more within the week. On the other hand Burlington joint 4s and Rock Island ref. 4s, have lost a part of last week's advance and Consol. Gas 7s, continuing its recent movement is again lower.

United States Bonds.—Sales of Government bonds at the Board include \$4,000 4s reg. at 105 1/2 and the various Liberty Loan issues.

Daily Record of Liberty Loan Prices.	Sept. 18	Sept. 20	Sept. 21	Sept. 22	Sept. 23	Sept. 24
First Liberty Loan	High 3 1/2, 15-30 year, 1932-47	90.04	90.18	90.14	90.40	95.38
Total sales in \$1,000 units.	Low 90.50	90.00	90.00	90.26	90.26	90.32
Second Liberty Loan	High 4 1/2, 10-25 year-conv., 1942	85.40	85.56	85.70	85.80	86.00
Total sales in \$1,000 units.	Low 85.10	85.20	85.20	85.62	85.62	86.70
Third Liberty Loan	High 4 1/2, 11-20 year-conv., 1947	86.00	85.80	86.00	86.82	87.40
Total sales in \$1,000 units.	Low 85.18	85.36	85.36	86.82	86.82	87.70
Fourth Liberty Loan	High 4 1/2, 12-25 year-conv., 1952	86.40	86.62	86.62	87.90	87.90
Total sales in \$1,000 units.	Low 85.18	85.36	85.36	86.82	86.82	87.90
Victory						

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Saturday Sept. 18	Monday Sept. 20	Tuesday Sept. 21	Wednesday Sept. 22	Thursday Sept. 23	Friday Sept. 24			Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest		
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares	Railroads.	Par	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share		
84 84 ²	84 ¹ 85 ²	84 ¹ 85 ²	84 ¹ 84 ²	84 84 ²	84 ¹ 84 ²	13,200	Aitch Topeka & Santa Fe...100	76 Feb 11	86 ¹ Mar 10	80 ² Dec	104 May		
76 ¹ 76 ²	76 ¹ 77 ²	*76 ¹ 77 ²	76 77	76 77	76 77	1,100	Do pref...	100	72 May 20	82 Jan 3	76 ³ Dec	89 Jan	
9 9	87 ² 91 ²	87 ² 91 ²	87 ² 91 ²	9 10	94 103 ²	10,113	Atlanta Birm & Atlantic...100	5 Apr 21	11 ² Sept 24	6 Mar	15 ¹ July		
*91 93 ²	91 93	93 93	*92 ² 93 ²	*91 ² 93 ²	*90 ² 93	500	Atlantic Coast Line RR...100	x82 ¹ June 18	93 ² Sept 1	87 ² Dec	107 May		
44 44 ²	44 45	43 ¹ 44 ²	43 ¹ 44 ²	43 ¹ 43 ²	43 ¹ 44 ²	44,296	Baltimore & Ohio...100	27 ² Feb 13	45 Sept 20	28 ⁴ Dec	55 ¹ May		
50 ² 51	51 51 ²	51 ² 51 ²	51 ² 51 ²	50 ² 51	50 ² 51	2,300	Do pref...	100	40 ² June 23	52 ¹ Sept 7	38 ¹ Dec	59 ¹ May	
11 11 ²	11 11 ²	11 11 ²	11 11 ²	11 11 ²	10 ² 10 ²	1,600	Brooklyn Rapid Transit...100	91 ⁴ Aug 31	17 Mar 15	10 Dec	33 ¹ July		
7 7	7 7	6 ² 6 ²	6 ² 6 ²	*6 ² 6 ²	*6 ² 6 ²	750	Certificates of deposit...100	5 ² Sept 14	13 ⁴ Mar 15	5 Dec	28 ⁴ July		
121 ¹ 123 ¹	121 ¹ 122 ²	121 ¹ 122 ²	120 ² 121 ¹	120 ² 121 ¹	121 ¹ 120 ²	22,800	Canadian Pacific...100	110 May 20	134 Jan 3	126 ¹ Dec	170 ² July		
65 ⁴ 65 ²	66 67	65 66 ²	64 ² 65 ²	65 ² 65 ²	65 ² 65 ²	25,300	Chesapeake & Ohio...100	47 Feb 13	67 Sept 20	51 ² Dec	68 ² May		
9 10 ²	11 12 ¹	11 12 ¹	12 12 ¹	12 12 ¹	12 12 ¹	59,900	Chicago Great Western...100	7 Feb 13	13 ⁴ Sept 23	74 Jan	12 July		
26 ² 28	28 29 ²	28 29 ²	29 30	29 ¹ 30 ²	29 ¹ 30 ²	19,600	Do pref...	100	19 ² May 24	30 ² Sept 22	21 Dec	30 ² May	
38 ² 38 ¹	38 ¹ 39 ²	38 ¹ 39 ²	38 ¹ 38 ²	37 ² 38 ²	38 ¹ 39 ²	30,200	Chicago Mill & St Paul...100	30 ² Feb 6	42 ¹ Mar 11	34 ¹ Dec	52 ² July		
57 ² 58 ²	57 ¹ 58 ²	56 ² 57 ²	56 ² 57 ²	57 ² 57 ²	57 ² 57 ²	21,300	Do pref...	100	45 ⁴ Feb 13	61 ² Mar 11	48 ² Dec	76 July	
*74 ² 76	75 75 ²	75 ² 75 ²	75 75 ²	74 ² 76	74 ² 76	3,000	Chicago & Northwestern...100	67 June 24	91 ² Mar 15	85 Nov	105 May		
*105 ⁴ 106 ²	*105 106 ²	106 ² 106 ²	*105 110	105 ⁴ 105 ²	106 106	300	Do pref...	100	98 June 26	120 Jan 6	116 Dec	133 Jan	
38 38 ²	38 ¹ 39 ²	38 ¹ 39 ²	38 ¹ 40	37 ² 40 ¹	38 ⁵ 39 ²	64,800	Chic Rock Isl & Pac...100	23 ² Feb 13	41 Mar 8	22 ¹ Jan	32 ¹ July		
*78 79 ²	79 80	78 ² 79 ²	79 79	79 ² 79 ²	79 ² 80 ²	3,700	7% preferred...	100	64 Feb 13	80 ¹ Sept 24	68 Dec	84 June	
68 ² 68 ⁴	67 ² 69	68 ² 69	*67 ² 69	67 ² 69	68 ² 69	2,200	6% preferred...	100	54 Feb 11	69 Sept 20	55 ⁴ Aug	73 July	
*51 60	51 60	55 59	55 59	*48 60	48 60	100	Clev Cin Chic & St Louis...100	42 Feb 6	61 Sept 17	32 Feb	54 ² June		
*64 70	64 70	66 68	*66 68	*66 68	67 67	100	Do pref...	100	62 May 19	68 Feb 24	63 Sept	74 July	
29 29	29 29	29 ¹ 29 ²	29 ¹ 29 ²	29 ¹ 31 ¹	31 31 ¹	6,600	Colorado & Southern...100	20 Feb 11	34 ² Sept 24	19 Dec	31 ⁴ May		
29	29	29 29 ²	29 ¹ 29 ²	29 ¹ 31 ¹	31 31 ¹	52 52	Do 1st pref...	100	46 July 6	52 Sept 24	48 Dec	58 ² July	
29	29	29 29 ²	29 ¹ 29 ²	29 ¹ 31 ¹	31 31 ¹	100	Do 2d pref...	100	35 Aug 11	43 Jan 16	45 Feb	51 ² May	
105 105	105 105	105 105	105 105	104 104	104 104	600	Delaware & Hudson...100	700	700	91 ² Dec	116 May		
*240 250	240 ¹ 250	240 ¹ 242	241 ¹ 241 ²	241 241	241 ¹ 241 ²	12,200	Delaware Lack & Western...50	165 Feb 10	260 ² Sept 15	172 ¹ Mar	217 May		
27 ² 31 ²	31 ² 33 ²	31 ² 33 ²	31 ² 32 ²	31 32 ²	31 32 ²	12,200	Denver & Rio Grande...100	100	27 ² Sept 18	9 Jan 3	31 ² Apr	15 ¹ July	
54 ² 71 ²	54 ² 64 ²	64 ² 64 ²	29,800	Do pref...	100	45 ² Sept 24	16 ² Feb 24	61 ² Feb	24 July				
18 20 ²	19 ² 21 ²	19 ² 21 ²	19 ² 20 ²	19 ² 20 ²	19 ² 20 ²	19,200	Erie...	100	91 ² Feb 13	21 ² Sept 20	12 ² Dec	20 ⁴ May	
27 ² 29 ²	26 ² 29 ²	26 ² 29 ²	27 ² 28 ²	27 ² 28 ²	27 ² 28 ²	30,400	Do 1st pref...	100	171 ² May 20	30 ² Sept 20	18 ² Dec	33 July	
20 ² 21 ²	21 ² 22 ²	21 ² 22 ²	21 ² 21 ²	21 21 ²	21 21 ²	9,300	Do 2d pref...	100	12 ² Feb 9	22 ² Sept 20	13 ⁴ Dec	22 ¹ July	
79 79 ²	79 ² 79 ²	79 ² 79 ²	78 ² 79 ²	78 ² 79 ²	78 ² 79 ²	14,100	Great Northern pref...100	65 ⁴ June 12	75 ² Mar 13	75 ² June 10	95 ² May		
34 34 ²	33 ² 34	33 ² 34	34 ¹ 35 ²	34 ¹ 34 ²	34 ¹ 34 ²	3,200	Iron Ore properties. No par	30 Aug 9	41 ² Mar 19	31 ⁴ Jan	52 ⁴ July		
12 12 ¹	12 12	12 12	13 12 ¹	13 12 ¹	13 12 ¹	1,450	Gulf Mob & Nor tr ctfs...100	7 Jan 24	15 May 5	7 Sept	12 ² July		
26 ² 27 ²	27 ² 29	27 ² 29	28 29 ²	29 29 ²	29 29 ²	3,000	Do Pref...	100	25 ² Aug 18	34 April 14	30 Dec	40 ² July	
89 ² 89 ²	90 90	90 90	90 90	90 90	90 90	1,500	Illinois Central...	100	80 ² Feb 13	93 ² Mar 10	85 ² Dec	104 May	
34 ² 34 ²	34 ² 4	34 ² 4	34 ² 3	34 ² 3	34 ² 3	5,600	Interbord Cons Corp. No par	3 Aug 4	44 ² Mar 3	31 ² Mar	91 ² June		
12 ² 12 ²	12 12 ¹	2,300	Do pref...	100	84 July 29	16 ² Mar 15	10 Dec	31 ⁴ June					
21 ² 21 ²	21 ² 22 ²	21 ² 22 ²	21 ² 22 ²	21 ² 22 ²	21 ² 22 ²	16,400	Kansas City Southern...100	13 ² Sept 13	13 Nov	25 ⁴ May	57 May		
47 ² 48	47 47 ²	46 ² 46 ²	46 ² 46 ²	47 47	47 47	1,000	Do pref...	100	40 May 19	49 ² Sept 1	40 Dec	60 ² June	
49 ² 49 ²	49 49 ²	49 ² 49 ²	49 ² 49 ²	49 ² 49 ²	49 ² 49 ²	8,200	Lehigh Valley...	50 Sept 20	50 Sept 20	50 Sept	56 Mar		
*101 103	101 ² 102 ²	102 ² 102 ²	1,300	Louisville & Nashville...100	94 Aug 9	112 ² Jan 5	104 ² Aug 12	122 ⁴ May					
43 ² 43 ²	43 ² 43 ²	43 ² 43 ²	44 44	44 44	44 44	1,400	Manhattan Ry guar...	100	38 ² July 2	52 ² Mar 20	37 ² Dec	88 Jan	
16 16	16 16 ²	15 ² 16 ²	15 ² 16 ²	16 16 ²	16 16 ²	16,400	Minneapolis & St L (new)...	100	9 Feb 13	18 ² Mar 9	91 ² Jan	24 ² July	
67 ² 7	68 ² 7 ²	68<sup											

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\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares	Indus. & Miscell. (Con.) Par	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	
100 100 ¹ ₄	98 ¹ ₈	98 ¹ ₂	98 ¹ ₈	98 ¹ ₂	98 ¹ ₂	3,800	Amer Telephone & Teleg. 100	100 ¹ ₄	Mar 18	108 ¹ ₈	Mar	
*123 ¹ ₂	128	128 ¹ ₄	130	129 ¹ ₄	131 ¹ ₄	136	Amer Tobacco 100	104 ¹ ₄	Aug 9	285	Jan 5	
90 ⁸	90 ⁸	90 ¹ ₂	91 ¹ ₂	90 ⁴	90 ⁸	90 ⁴	Do pref (new) 100	85 ¹ ₄	May 20	97 ³ ₄	Jan 7	
83	83 ⁸	82 ¹ ₂	84	80	82 ¹ ₂	78	Amer Woolen of Mass. 100	72 ¹ ₄	Aug 10	165 ¹ ₂	Jan 2	
*93 ⁴	97	93 ¹ ₂	97	93 ¹ ₂	97	93 ¹ ₂	Do pref. 100	91 ¹ ₄	Aug 2	105 ¹ ₂	Jan 29	
58 ⁴	58 ¹ ₂	59	61 ¹ ₄	59	60	59	Amer Writing Paper pref. 100	37	May 20	61 ¹ ₂	Jan 3	
12 ¹ ₂	12 ¹ ₂	13	13	*12 ¹ ₄	14 ¹ ₄	13	13 ¹ ₈	700	Amer Zinc Lead & Smelt. 25	11	Aug 9	
55	55 ¹ ₂	54 ¹ ₄	55 ⁷ ₈	54 ¹ ₂	55 ¹ ₂	54 ¹ ₂	54 ¹ ₈	6,700	Do pref. 25	44	Sept 7	
29 ⁷ ₈	29 ⁷ ₈	*27	31	*28	30	27	27	400	Asoconda Copper Mining 50	49 ¹ ₂	Aug 9	
*59	61	*59	61	*59	61	*59	61	200	Associated Dry Goods 100	25	Aug 9	
*57	57	*57	*57	53	53	*	55	50	Do 1st preferred 100	55	May 24	
149 ¹ ₄	149 ¹ ₄	149 ¹ ₄	152	149	151	146 ¹ ₄	150 ¹ ₂	1,100	Do 2d preferred 100	50	Sept 24	
*60	64	*62	65	*62	63 ¹ ₂	*62	68	100	Associated Oil 100	85 ¹ ₂	Aug 13	
113	114 ¹ ₂	114	116	112 ¹ ₂	114 ¹ ₂	111 ⁴ ₂	112 ⁴ ₂	109 ⁷ ₈	Atl Gulf & W I SS Line 100	128 ¹ ₂	Aug 18	
98	98	98	98	98	98	98	98	200	Do pref. 100	60	Aug 14	
*41	43 ¹ ₂	41 ² ₁	41 ² ₁	*41 ² ₁	43 ¹ ₂	*41 ² ₁	43 ¹ ₂	100	Barnsdall Corp Cl A 25	114	Mar 3	
*135	137	136	136	*134 ¹ ₂	136	134 ¹ ₄	134 ⁷ ₈	1,100	Barrett Co (The) 100	100 ¹ ₂	Sept 7	
104 ¹ ₄	104 ¹ ₄	*104 ¹ ₂	106	*104 ¹ ₂	106	*104 ¹ ₂	107	100	Do pref. 100	111 ¹ ₂	Jan 6	
78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	78 ⁷ ₈	2,300	Batopilas Mining 20	1 ² ₁	Aug 20	
58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	600	Bethlehem Motors No par 5 ¹ ₂	82 ¹ ₂	Aug 26	
77 ³ ₄	78 ³ ₄	77 ³ ₄	78 ³ ₄	77 ³ ₄	76	72	73 ³ ₄	50,700	Bethlehem Steel Corp. 100	65	Aug 9	
197	107	106 ¹ ₂	106 ³ ₄	106 ¹ ₂	106 ³ ₄	104 ⁴ ₂	104 ⁷ ₈	105	Do Class B common 100	90	Aug 14	
*7	71 ²	71 ²	71 ²	71 ²	71 ²	7	7	800	Do cum conv 8% pref. 100	104	July 28	
*83	90	*83	90	*82	90	*82	90	800	Booth Fisheries No par 6 ¹ ₂	61 ²	Aug 18	
48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	48 ¹ ₄	200	Brooklyn Edison, Inc. 100	85 ¹ ₂	July 12	
*94	96 ²	94 ¹ ₄	94 ¹ ₄	94 ¹ ₄	94 ¹ ₄	94 ¹ ₄	94 ¹ ₄	300	Brooklyn Union Gas 100	48	Sept 24	
*74 ²	76 ²	75 ²	75 ²	75 ²	75 ²	75 ²	75 ²	2,400	Burns Bros. 100	84	Aug 9	
12	112	113 ¹ ₂	113 ¹ ₂	111 ⁴ ₂	113 ¹ ₂	111 ⁴ ₂	112 ¹ ₂	100	Butte Copper & Zinc v t c. 5 ¹ ₂	111 ²	Jan 9	
20	20	20 ³ ₄	20	20	20	19	19 ¹ ₂	1,700	Butterick 100	10	Sept 24	
18 ⁴ ₅	18 ⁴ ₅	17 ¹ ₂	19	17 ¹ ₂	18 ⁴ ₅	17 ¹ ₂	18 ⁴ ₅	3,000	Cerro de Pasco Cop. No par 33 ⁷ ₈	31 ²	Aug 9	
*66	67	*66 ¹ ₂	67 ¹ ₂	67 ¹ ₂	67 ¹ ₂	67 ¹ ₂	67 ¹ ₂	500	Chandler Motor Car. No par 77 ⁸	164	Mar 29	
30 ¹ ₂	31 ¹ ₂	30 ¹ ₂	30 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	10,800	Coca Cola. No par 30 ¹ ₂	20 ⁸	May 20	
70 ²	70 ²	*69	72	*68	72	*68	72	100	Colorado Fuel & Iron. 100	28	May 20	
*55 ¹ ₂	60 ³ ₄	*55 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	*55	58	57	57	100	Continental Candy Corp. No par 19 ⁴ ₂	67	May 19	
10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	200	Continental Gas & Elec. 100	65 ¹ ₂	Aug 12	
51 ⁷ ₈	54 ²	49	51 ² ₁	46 ⁴ ₄	50 ³ ₄	46 ⁴ ₄	45 ¹ ₂	89,900	Continental Leather 100	44 ² ₁	Sept 24	
*94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	94 ¹ ₂	100	Do pref. 100	94 ¹ ₂	Sept 17	
43 ⁷ ₈	44 ¹ ₂	43 ⁴ ₁	43 ⁴ ₁	43 ⁴ ₁	42 ⁷ ₈	41	42	6,400	Cerro de Pasco Cop. No par 33 ⁷ ₈	61 ²	Aug 9	
85 ² ₁	86 ¹	85	84 ¹ ₂	80 ² ₁	82 ¹ ₂	80 ² ₁	81 ² ₁	12,600	Chandler Motor Car. No par 77 ⁸	90	Nov	
15 ¹ ₂	15 ¹ ₂	15 ¹ ₂	14 ⁵ ₈	14 ⁵ ₈	14 ⁵ ₈	14 ⁵ ₈	14 ⁵ ₈	100	Chicago Pneumatic Tool 100	74 ¹ ₂	Aug 10	
29 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	28 ³ ₄	28 ³ ₄	28 ³ ₄	27 ¹ ₂	28 ³ ₄	3,000	Chile Copper. 25	21 ⁴ ₂	Aug 9	
35	35	34 ⁴ ₁	34 ⁴ ₁	33 ¹ ₂	33 ¹ ₂	33 ¹ ₂	33 ¹ ₂	10,800	Chino Copper. 5	24 ¹ ₄	Aug 9	
57 ⁴ ₅	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	4,800	Colorado Packing. 100	30 ¹ ₂	Jan 28	
23 ² ₄	24 ¹ ₄	23 ² ₄	23 ² ₄	23 ² ₄	23 ² ₄	23 ² ₄	23 ² ₄	14,700	Colorado Petroleum. 100	50	Aug 10	
76	76 ²	74 ¹ ₄	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	76	76	74 ¹ ₂	1,400	Consolidated Cigar. No par 19 ⁴ ₂	55 ¹ ₂	Sept 24	
*81	83	*82	83	80	81 ¹ ₂	80 ¹ ₂	79 ⁷ ₈	800	Consolidated Gas (N Y). 100	80	Aug 27	
9 ¹ ₂	10	10	9 ¹ ₂	9 ¹ ₂	9 ¹ ₂	9 ¹ ₂	9 ¹ ₂	1,500	Consolidated Inter-State Call Mg. 100	73 ⁷ ₈	July 28	
29 ¹ ₂	31 ¹ ₂	30 ¹ ₂	31 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	29 ¹ ₂	27 ¹ ₂	28 ¹ ₂	3,600	Consolidated Textile. No par 9	9	Sept 24	
79 ⁴ ₅	79 ⁴ ₅	78 ²	78 ²	78 ²	78 ²	78 ²	78 ²	400	Continental Can. Inc. 100	74 ¹ ₂	Aug 9	
11 ¹ ₂	11 ¹ ₂	11 ¹ ₂	10 ⁴ ₂	10 ⁴ ₂	10 ⁴ ₂	10 ⁴ ₂	10 ⁴ ₂	2,100	Continental Candy Corp. No par 104 ¹ ₂	95 ¹ ₂	Sept 17	
89 ⁸ ₉	88 ⁴ ₅	88 ⁴ ₅	87 ⁸ ₉	88 ¹ ₂	88 ¹ ₂							

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HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.							Sales for the Week	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1919	
Saturday Sept. 18	Monday Sept. 20	Tuesday Sept. 21	Wednesday Sept. 22	Thursday Sept. 23	Friday Sept. 24	Shares			Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share			\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
104	104 ³	*103	110	-----	*102 ¹ ₂	108	*100	105	96	151 ²	130	137
74	75 ¹ ₂	74 ³	74 ³	*74	75	74 ¹	74 ¹	74	20	Sept 1	Sept 1	Dec 28
*95 ¹ ₂	*95 ⁴	-----	95 ⁴	*95 ⁴	*95 ⁴	*95 ⁴	*95 ⁴	300	Manati Sugar	100	332 ¹	381 ²
185 ¹ ₂	188	186 ¹	196	191	196 ³	190 ¹	193 ²	184 ¹	192 ¹	172,400	181 ²	181 ²
92	108	*92	100	*92	100	*95	100	100	Do pref.	100	107	104
20	20 ¹ ₂	20	20 ¹ ₂	20	20	20	20	2,500	Mayan Department Stores	100	131 ²	110
17 ³ ₄	18 ¹ ₂	15 ¹ ₂	15 ¹ ₂	16 ³ ₄	16	16 ⁵ ₈	15 ³ ₄	16 ⁵ ₈	80,510	Mayan Department Stores	100	104
40	40 ⁷ ₈	40	40 ¹ ₂	39 ⁸	40 ¹ ₂	38 ⁷	40	37 ¹ ₂	39 ⁸	35,385	Westinghouse Air Brake	50
*59 ¹ ₂	60 ²	62	62	*60	65	*60	65	100	Westinghouse Elec & Mfg	50	44 ²	44 ²
95	98	*95	98	*95	98	*95	96	200	White Motor	50	148	148
33	33 ³ ₈	33	33 ⁷ ₈	33 ¹ ₄	33 ¹ ₄	30 ⁵ ₈	33	30	Willys-Overland (The)	5	128 ¹	128 ¹
32 ²	34	32 ⁸	32 ⁸	*33	35	32 ⁴ ₈	33 ⁴	2,600	Miami Copper	5	108 ¹	108 ¹
83 ¹ ₈	83 ⁸	82 ⁸	83 ¹ ₄	82	82 ⁴	81 ¹ ₄	82 ⁴	9,800	Middle States Oil Corp.	10	101 ²	101 ²
89	89 ⁸	88 ²	89	89 ¹ ₂	89 ⁸	89 ⁸	89 ⁸	2,800	Midvale Steel & Ordnance	50	37 ¹ ₄	52 ³
36 ¹ ₂	37 ¹ ₂	37 ¹ ₂	35	39	36	36	1,630	Montana Power	100	59	59	
*79	84	*79	84	*80	84	*80	84	400	Do pref.	100	95	95
8	8 ¹ ₄	8 ¹ ₄	8 ¹ ₄	7 ¹ ₂	7 ¹ ₂	7 ¹ ₂	7 ¹ ₂	600	Mont Ward & Co Ills Corp.	No par	27 ³ ₄	40
60 ²	60 ²	60 ²	60 ⁵ ₈	60 ²	61 ¹ ₂	*60	63	1,500	National Acme	50	32	38 ¹ ₂
*90	95	*90	94	*90	94	*89	92	1,500	National Anil & Chem vtc.	No par	44	86 ³
*75	78	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	74 ³	75	75 ⁴	78	4,600	Do preferred v t c.	100	87	101 ²
*102	110	*102	105	*102	105	*102 ¹ ₂	105	105	National Cloak & Suit	100	70	92
12 ⁴ ₂	12 ⁴ ₂	12 ¹ ₂	13 ¹ ₂	12 ⁴ ₂	12 ⁴ ₂	12 ¹ ₂	12 ¹ ₂	4,200	National Conduit & Cable	No par	103	104
93 ⁴	93 ⁴	93 ⁴	93 ⁴	94 ³	95	95 ⁴	97	1,100	National Enam'g & Stamp'g	100	61 ²	108 ⁴
45 ¹ ₂	47	*45	48	*46	48	*44	48	1,100	National Lead	100	12	13
50	50	50	50	52	50	52	50	400	Do pref.	100	10	10
*45 ¹ ₂	49	48 ⁴	48 ⁷ ₈	*44 ¹ ₂	48	*45 ¹ ₂	47 ⁴	800	Nevada Consol Copper	5	100	100
14 ² ₈	14 ⁸	14 ² ₈	14 ² ₈	*14 ¹ ₂	15	14	14 ²	1,100	New York Air Brake	100	100	100
44 ¹ ₂	47	*45	48	*46	48	*44	48	1,100	New York Dock	100	45	45
41 ⁴	44 ¹ ₂	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	400	Do preferred	100	100	100
41 ⁴	44 ¹ ₂	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	41 ⁴	400	North American Co.	100	100	100
6 ¹ ₄	6 ¹ ₄	6 ¹ ₄	6 ¹ ₄	6 ¹ ₂	6 ¹ ₂	6 ¹ ₂	6 ¹ ₂	200	Nova Scotia Steel & Coal.	100	100	100
12 ⁶	12 ⁶	*12 ³	12 ⁶	-----	-----	*126 ¹ ₄	129 ¹ ₄	300	Nunnally Co (The)	No par	100	100
23	23 ⁴	23 ²	23 ⁴	23	23	22 ¹ ₂	23	1,900	Otis Elevator	No par	107	157
*48	50	*48	50	*48	50	49	49	200	Otis Steel	No par	194	41 ⁷
32 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	32	32	800	Owens Bottle	25	45 ¹ ₂	
47	47	47	47	46 ¹ ₂	46 ¹ ₂	46 ¹ ₂	46 ¹ ₂	1,500	Pacific Development	100	301 ⁴	301 ⁴
*28	31	*28	30	*28	31	28	28	100	Pacific Gas & Electric	100	28	28
93 ⁴	95 ⁴	93 ⁸	96 ⁷ ₈	93 ¹ ₈	96 ¹ ₄	92 ¹ ₂	94 ⁸	113,900	Pacific Mall SS	5	35 ⁸	
87	88 ⁴	86 ⁴	89	87 ⁴	88 ⁴	86	86 ²	84 ⁸	Pan-Am Pet & Trans.	50	5	5
29	29 ¹ ₂	28 ¹ ₂	28 ¹ ₂	*28	28 ¹ ₂	27 ² ₁	27 ² ₁	400	Pan-Continental Corp.	No par	107	157
21 ¹ ₈	21 ⁸	21	21 ²	20 ⁷ ₈	21 ⁷ ₈	19 ¹ ₂	20 ⁸ ₈	4,100	Parish & Bingham	No par	194	19
34 ¹ ₈	34 ⁴	34	34 ¹ ₂	34	34	33 ¹ ₂	34	1,605	Penn-Seaboard St'l v t c No par	100	100	100
37 ¹ ₂	37 ¹ ₂	37	37 ¹ ₂	36 ⁴	37 ¹ ₂	36 ⁴	37 ¹ ₂	5,600	People's G L & C (Chile)	100	117 ⁴	
37 ¹ ₂	38	38	38 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂	5,500	Philadelphia Co (Pittsb)	50	20	20
38 ¹ ₂	39	37 ¹ ₂	39	36 ⁴	37	35 ¹ ₂	36 ¹ ₂	21,700	Phillips Petroleum	No par	44	44 ¹ ₂
89 ⁷	89 ⁸	89	89	89 ¹ ₂	89 ²	89 ²	88 ¹ ₂	500	Pierce-Arrow M Car	No par	37	37
15	15 ⁸	15 ¹ ₂	15	15	15	14 ¹ ₂	14 ¹ ₂	8,700	Pierce Arrow M Car	No par	100	100
28 ³	84	81	83 ⁴	81	81	81	81	700	Pierce Oil Corporation	25	88 ¹	
66 ³	67	67	68 ⁷ ₈	67 ⁴	68 ⁷ ₈	67 ²	68 ⁴	30,300	Pittsburgh Coal of Pa.	100	16	16
85 ¹ ₂	85 ¹ ₂	85 ¹ ₂	*84 ¹ ₂	86	*84 ¹ ₂	85 ¹ ₂	84 ³	500	Do pref.	100	100	100
*16	17 ²	15 ¹ ₂	16 ⁸ ₉	17 ²	18 ²	18 ¹ ₂	19 ¹ ₂	7,500	Pond Creek Coal	10	10	10
97 ⁸	97 ²	95	96	95 ⁷ ₈	95	95 ⁷ ₈	95 ⁷ ₈	1,100	Pressed Steel Car	100	100	100
*	55	*	55	*	55	54	55	100	Do pref.	100	100	100
113 ⁴	114	113 ⁷ ₈	112	113 ¹ ₂	112	112	112	2,000	Publ Serv Corp of N J	100	100	100
78 ¹ ₂	79 ¹ ₂	79 ¹ ₂	79	80 ⁷	77	79 ⁸	76	12,200	Pullman Company	100	128	149
39 ⁷	40	39 ¹ ₂	39 ⁷ ₈	39 ⁸	39 ⁴	39 ¹ ₂	39 ⁸	7,200	Punta Alegre Sugar	50	34 ¹ ₂	
*94	95	95	96 ⁴	95 ⁴	95 ⁴	95	95	1,700	Pure Oil (The) k.	25	46	74
*102	105	*102	105	*102	105	102	102	200	Railway Steel Spring	100	100	100
15 ¹ ₂	15 ⁷ ₈	15 ⁸	15 ⁸	15 ⁸	15 ⁸	15 ⁸	15 ⁸	3,400	Ray Consolidated Copper	10	100	100
58	58	58 ²	58 ⁸	57	58 ¹	50 ¹ ₈	52	1,800	Remington Typewriter v t c 100	No par	45 ¹ ₂	
82 ⁵	83 ⁸	81	83 ²	80	81 ⁴	79 ⁴	80 ⁸	10,200	Repliglo Steel	No par	301 ²	
84	85 ⁴	82 ¹ ₂	84	81 ⁴ ₂	83 ²	80 ⁸	81 ⁴ ₂	41,900	Republic Iron & Steel	100	100	100
93 ¹ ₂	93 ⁴	93	93 ⁴	93 ⁴	93 ⁴	93 ⁴	93 ⁴	700	Do pref.	100	100	100
29	30	27 ²	30 ⁸	28 ¹ ₂	29 ⁵	28 ¹ ₂	29 ⁵	48,800	Republic Motor Truck	No par	88 ¹	
88 ⁴	88 ⁷	85	87	85 ⁴	86 ¹ ₂	85 ⁴	86 ¹ ₂	600	Royal Dutch Lead	10	100	100
14	15	12	15	*12	15	*12	15	400	San Cecilia Sugar v t c No par	100	111	111
38	38	*36	39	*36	39	36	36 ¹ ₂	400	Savage Arms Corp.	100	128 ¹	
6 ¹ ₄	6 ¹ ₄	6	6 ¹ ₄	5 ¹ ₄	6	5 ¹ ₄	5 ¹ ₄	3,200	Saxon Motor Car Corp.	No par	51 ⁴	
140	140	137	137	138	138	134	137 ⁶	1,300	Sears, Roebuck & Co.	No par	130 ²	
54 ¹ ₂	55 ¹ ₂	54	54 ⁴	53	53 ²	50 ¹ ₈	52 ¹ ₂	5,800	Shell Transp & Trading	f2	127 ²	
34 ³	35 ⁴	34 ⁵	35 ⁴	33 ⁸	35 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	32 ¹ ₂	9,700	Sinclair Cons Oil Corp.	No par	47 ¹ ₂	
72	72 ⁴	70 ¹ ₂	70	70	68	69	66	1,600	Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron	100	100	100
*83 ¹ ₂	87 ⁴	*83 ²	87 ⁴	*83 ²	87 ⁴	*83 ²	87 ⁴	100				

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. § Less than 100 shares. † Ex-rights. a Ex-div. and rights. z Ex-div. o Reduced to basis of \$25 par. n Par \$100
 2 Name changed from Ohio Cities Gas to present title July 1 1920, range incl. prices from July 1 only range for Ohio Cities Gas Jan. 1 to July 1, 37 May 20, 50% Jan. 3

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Jan. 1909 the Exchange method of quoting bonds was changed and prices are now—"and interest"—except for interest and defaulted bonds.

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N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE										N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE													
BONDS		Interest Period		Price Friday Sept. 24		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold		Range Since Jan. 1		BONDS		Interest Period		Price Friday Sept. 24		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold		Range Since Jan. 1	
U. S. Government.		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High					Cent of Ga (Concl.)—		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High		
First Liberty Loan	3 1/2 yrs 1st 15-30 year	1932-'47	J D	90.32	Sale	90.00	90.32	4683	89.10	100.40			Chatt Div pur money g 4s 1951	J D	74 1/2	May'19							
3 1/2 yrs 1st L L conv	1932-'47		J D	87.90	Sale	85.70	87.90	90	83.00	93.48			Mac & Nor Div 1st g 5s—1946	J J	80	—	90	May'18					
4 1/2 yrs 2nd L L	1927-'42	M N	87.20	Sale	85.10	87.20	202	81.40	92.90			Mid Ga & Atl Div 5s—1947	J J	87 1/2	—	97 1/2	June'17						
Third Liberty Loan	4 1/2 yrs 1st L L conv	1932-'47	J D	87.70	Sale	85.86	88.40	1182	84.00	94.00			Mobile Div 1st g 5s—1946	J J	80	85	85	Sept'20	76 1/2	85			
4 1/2 yrs 2nd L L conv	1927-'42	M N	87.32	Sale	85.06	87.50	6116	81.10	92.86			Cent RR & B of Ga coll g 5s—1937	M N	83	—	81	Aug'20	79	81 1/2				
4 1/2 yrs 3rd L L	1928	M S	90.16	Sale	88.24	90.16	8889	85.50	95.00			Cent of N J gen gold 5s—1987	J J	97	97 1/2	96 1/2	Sept'20	8	90	100 1/2			
Fourth Liberty Loan	4 1/2 yrs 1st L L 2nd conv	1932-'47	J D	96.50	—	97.30	Sept'20	—	86.00	101.10			Registered—h1987	J J	95 1/2	—	90 1/2	Aug'20	87 1/2	99 1/2			
4 1/2 yrs 4th L L	1933-'38	A O	87.36	Sale	84.48	87.52	15679	82.00	93.00			Am Dock & Imp g 5s—1921	J J	97 1/2	98	98 1/2	Sept'20	96 1/2	98 1/2				
Victory Liberty Loan	4 1/2 yrs conv g notes	1922-'23	J D	96.08	Sale	95.44	96.10	6333	94.70	99.40			N Y & Long Br gen g 5s—1941	M S	78 1/2	—	100 1/2	Jan'18	79	85 1/2			
3 1/2 yrs conv g notes	1922-'23	J D	96.08	Sale	95.40	96.08	1787	94.64	99.40			Chesa & O fund & impt 5s—1929	J J	83	84	83	Sept'20	84	95				
2s consol registered	d1930	Q J	100	101 1/2	100	July'20	—	100	101 1/2			1st consol gold 5s—1939	M N	91	Sale	90 1/2	91	21	84	95			
4s registered	1925	F F	105	106	105 1/2	Sept'20	—	105	106 1/2			Registered—1939	M N	78 1/2	—	78 1/2	June'20	78 1/2	82 1/2				
4s coupon	1925	F F	105	105 1/2	105 1/2	Sept'20	—	104	106 1/2			General gold 4 1/2s—1992	M S	75 1/2	74	86	Mar'17	77	77				
Pan Canal 10-30-yr 2s	1936	F F	100	101 1/2	98	Mar'19	—	—			20-year convertible 4 1/2s—1930	F A	75 1/2	80	74 1/2	Sept'20	199	77 1/2					
Pan Canal 10-30-yr 2s reg.	1938	Q N	100	101 1/2	99	July'18	—	—			30-year cony secured 5s—1946	A O	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	Sept'20	70	86 1/2					
Panama Canal 3s g.	1961	Q M	—	83	79 1/2	Apr'20	—	79 1/2	89 1/2			Big Sandy 1st 4s—1944	J D	64 1/2	—	63 1/2	July'20	57 1/2	63 1/2				
Registered	1961	Q M	—	87	87 1/2	Mar'20	—	86 1/2	87 1/2			Coal River Ry 1st gu 4s—1945	J D	63	78	82 1/2	Sept'20	19	91	100 1/2			
Philippine Islands 4s	1914-'34	Q F	78	85	100	Feb'15	—	—			Craig Valley 1st g 5s—1940	J J	61 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2	Dec'19	69	June'19					
Foreign Government.												Potts Creek Br 1st 4s—1946	J J	58 1/2	67	69 1/2	Sept'20	61 1/2	73				
Anglo-French 5-yr 5s Exter loan.	A O	99 1/2	Sale	99 1/2	100 1/2	1286	93 1/2	100 1/2			R & A Div 1st con 4s—1989	J J	60	69 1/2	69 1/2	Sept'20	61 1/2	73					
Argentine Internal 5s of 1909.	M S	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	43	68	75			2d consol gold 4s—1989	J J	62 1/2	70	60	Aug'20	58 1/2	65					
Belgium 25-yr ext s 1 1/2 yrs g. 1945	J D	98	Sale	97 1/2	98 1/2	262	96 1/2	101			Greenbrier Ry 1st gu 4s—1940	M N	61 1/2	62 1/2	88 1/2	Sept'16	—						
1-year 6% notes	Jan 1921	—	—	99 1/2	Sale	98 1/2	99 1/2	15	98 1/2	99 1/2			Warm Springs V 1st g 5s—1941	M S	113	Feb'15	—						
5-year 6% notes	Jan 1925	—	—	93	Sale	91 1/2	93	22	89 1/2	98			Chile & Alton RR ref 3s—1949	A O	45	45 1/2	44 1/2	46	21	41	49		
Bordeaux (City of) 15-yr 6s 1934	M N	84 1/2	Sale	83 1/2	84 1/2	9	82 1/2	92 1/2			Railaway 1st len 3 1/2s—1950	J J	38 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	26	29 1/2	38 1/2					
Chinese (Huakung Ry) 5s of 1911	J D	43	43 1/2	43	43 1/2	23	41	50			Chile B & Q—Denver Div 4s—1922	F A	—	—	98	Feb'20	96	98					
Copenhagen 25-yr s f 5 1/2s—1944	J J	77	77 1/2	76 1/2	77 1/2	8	74	80 1/2			Illinois Div 3 1/2s—1949	J J	72	69 1/2	70	7	64	76					
Cuba—External gold of 1904.	M S	88 1/2	Sale	84 1/2	85 1/2	37	84 1/2	92 1/2			Illinois Div 4s—1949	J J	79 1/2	Sale	79	79 1/2	197	73	84				
External dt of 5s 1914 see A .49	F A	81	80	80	80	7	80	86			Joint bonds See Great North	—	—										
External loan 4 1/2s—1949	F A	68 1/2	Sale	68 1/2	68 1/2	3	68 1/2	76			Nebraska Extension 4s—1927	M N	88 1/2	89 1/2	88	88	2	83 1/2	92				
Dominican Rep Cons Admns 5s 58	F F	82 1/2	Sale	82 1/2	83 1/2	89	79	87 1/2			Registered—1927	M N	—	—	90 1/2	Oct'19							
Dominion of Canada g 5s—1921	A O	97 1/2	Sale	98 1/2	98 1/2	93	95 1/2	98 1/2			General 4s—1958	M N	78	Sale	77 1/2	78	14	67	81 1/2				
do do	A O	89 1/2	Sale	89 1/2	90 1/2	9	89 1/2	98 1/2			Chile & E Ill ref & imp 4s g—1955	J J	37	Sale	31	37	68	204	37				
2-yr 5 1/2s gold notes Aug 1921	F A	98 1/2	Sale	98 1/2	98 1/2	23	97 1/2	98 1/2			U S Mtg & Tr Co cts of dep—	A O	37 1/2	Sale	32	37 1/2	218	194	37 1/2				
10-year 5 1/2s—1929	F A	91 1/2	Sale	90 1/2	91 1/2	49	89 1/2	97 1/2			General consol 1st 5s—1937	M N	74 1/2	75	73 1/2	Sept'20	68	73 1/2					
French Republic 25-yr ext 8s 1945	M S	101 1/2	Sale	101	102	3211	101	102 1/2			U S Mtg & Tr Co cts of dep	M N	50	Sale	50	50	50	50	50				
Italy (Kingdom of) Ser A 6 1/2s 25	F A	90	Sale	89 1/2	90	9	92	95 1/2			Stamped—	—	56	Sale	50	50	50	52	52				
Japanese Govt—loan 41s 1925	F A	74 1/2	Sale	74 1/2	74 1/2	52 3	69	82			Guar Tr Co cts of dep—	—	—	70	70	70	70	70					
Second series 4 1/2s—1925	J J	74 1/2	Sale	74 1/2	75 1/2	237	67 1/2	82			Purch monev 1st coal 5s—1942	F A	—	—	97 1/2	Feb'13							
do do "German stamp"	J J	58 1/2	Sale	58	59 1/2	187	52 1/2	71			Chile & Ind Ry 1st 5s—1936	J J	8	—	32	Mar'17							
Sterling loan 4s—1931	J J	58 1/2	Sale	58	59 1/2	187	52 1/2	71			Chicago Great West 1st 4s—1959	M S	56	Sale	54 1/2	56 1/2	111	50 1/2	57 1/2				
Lyon (City of) 15-yr 6s 1934	M N	84	Sale	84 1/2	85 1/2	2	83	92 1/2			Chile Ind & Louisv—Ref 6s—1947	J J	93	—	91	93	6	91	97				
Marselles (City of) 15-yr 6s 1934	M N	83 1/2	Sale	84 1/2	85 1/2	8	81	93 1/2			Refunding gold 5s—1947	J J	79	—	80 1/2	Mar'20	80 1/2	80 1/2					
Mexico—Exter loan 4s 1899	Q J	43	Sale	40 1/2	43	304	29 1/2	44			Refunding 4s Series C—1947	J J	67	75	68 1/2	Mar'20	68	73 1/2					
Gold debt 4s of 1904—1954	J D	35 1/2	Sale	33	36	29	26	37			Ind & Louisv 1st gu 4s—1956	J J	71	—	63	May'19							
Paris (City of) 5-year 6s—1921	A O	94 1/2	Sale	93 1/2	94																		

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Delaware Lack & West—Concl.												Lehigh Val (Pa) cons g 4s...2003	M N	72	73	72	72 ¹ ₈	2	60	72 ¹ ₈			
Warren 1st ref gu g 3 ¹ / ₂ s...2000	F	A				102 ¹ ₈ Feb'08						General cons 4 ¹ / ₂ s...2003	M N	76	Sale	74 ¹ ₈	76	18	69	83			
Deutsche & Hudson—												Leh V Term Ry 1st gu g 5s...1941	A O	88 ² ₃ 100		89 ¹ ₂	June'20			89 ¹ ₂	95		
1st lien equip g 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1922	J	J	95	96 ¹ ₈	95	Sept'20		94 ²	96 ⁷ ₈			Registered...1941	A O			113	Mar'17						
1st & ref 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1943	M	N	78 ³ ₈ Sale	78	79 ²	19	67	81				Leh Val RR 10-yr col 6s...1928	J J	97	Sale	97	97 ¹ ₈	5	92	103			
20-year conv 5s...1935	A O	85	87 ² ₈	85 ¹ ₂	87 ²	15	73	87 ²				Leh Val Coal Co 1st gu g 5s...1933	J J	93		92	Sept'20			92	98 ¹ ₈		
10-year secured 7s...1930	J D	102	Sale	101 ¹ ₈	102 ¹ ₂	43	99 ⁷ ₈	102 ¹ ₂				Registered...1933	J J			105	Oct'13						
Alb & Susq conv 3 ¹ / ₂ s...1946	A O	67 ² ₈	65	Aug'20		65	72 ²					1st int reduced to 4s...1933	J J	74 ² ₄									
Renss & Saratoga 1st 7s...1921	M N	99 ⁷ ₈	100 ¹ ₄ July'20			100 ¹ ₄	100 ¹ ₄					Leh & N Y 1st guar g 4s...1945	M S	64	87 ² ₈	73	Jan'20			73	73		
Denver & Rio Grande—												Registered...1945	M S										
1st cons g 4s...1936	J J	65 ¹ ₂ Sale	65 ¹ ₂	65 ¹ ₂	51	58 ³ ₈	68					Long Isl 1st cons gold 5s...1931	J Q	87 ¹ ₂ 89	86 ⁸	Sept'20			84 ² ₈	92			
Consol gold 4 ¹ / ₂ s...	J J	69 ¹ ₈ Sale	68 ¹ ₈	69 ¹ ₈	14	62 ⁷ ₈	72 ⁸					1st consol gold 4s...1931	J Q	77 ⁸		79	May'20			77	79		
Improvement gold 5s...1928	J D	71 ² ₈ 72 ⁴ ₈	71	73 ² ₈	30	63	73 ²					General gold 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1938	J D	67	70	66 ¹ ₂	Sept'20			64 ¹ ₂	72		
1st & refunding 5s...1955	F A	51 ² ₈ Sale	50	53	197	38	56					Ferry gold 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1922	M S	854	95 ² ₈	92	Oct'19						
Trust Co certifs of deposit...												Gold 4s...1932	J D	80		99 ¹ ₄	Oct'06						
Rio Gr Junc 1st gu 5s...1939	J D	70 ¹ ₂ 75	70 ¹ ₂	70 ¹ ₂	34	July'20						Unified gold 4s...1949	M S	61	73	61 ¹ ₄	64 ¹ ₂	3	61 ¹ ₄	73 ²			
Rio Gr Sou 1st gold 4s...1940	J J	40	40	34	July'17							Debenture gold 5s...1934	J D	65	74	65	65 ¹ ₈	12	65	67			
Guaranteed...1940	J J	64 ² ₈	66	Sept'20		58	67					20-year p m deb 5s...1937	M N	64 ² ₈ Sale	64 ¹ ₂	64 ¹ ₂	18	59 ¹ ₈	68				
Rio Gr West 1st gold 4s...1939	J J	53 ² ₈ Sale	53 ¹ ₂	53 ¹ ₂	19	48	55					Guar refunding gold 4s...1949	M S	66	68 ² ₈	66	66 ² ₈	15	60	69 ¹ ₂			
Mtge & coll trust 4s...1949	A O											Registered...1949	M S			95	Jan'11						
Det & Mack—1st lien g 4s...1995	J D	52 ⁸ ₈ 78	52	Dec'16								N Y B & M B 1st con g 5s...1935	A O	81 ¹ ₈		92	Aug'19						
Gold 4s...1995	J D											N Y R & B 1st gold 5s...1927	M S	81 ¹ ₈	85		86	Dec'19					
Det Riv Tun Ter Tun 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1961	M N	77 ¹ ₂ Sale	73 ¹ ₂	77 ¹ ₂	5	69	80					Nor Sh B 1st con g 5s...1932	Q J	80	92	90 ¹ ₈	June'19						
Dul Missabe & Nor gen 5s...1941	J J	91 ⁴ ₈	93 ¹ ₂	93 ¹ ₂	32	86	Sept'20					Louisiana & Ark 1st g 5s...1927	M S	62	71	70 ³ ₄	Aug'20			70 ³ ₄	75		
Dul & Iron Range 1st 5s...1937	A O	84	87	86	Sept'20							Gold 5s...1937	M N	90		89 ² ₈	Sept'20			87 ² ₈	100		
Registered...1937	A O											Unified gold 4s...1940	J J	80	Sale	79 ¹ ₂	80	27	72	84 ¹ ₂			
Dul Sou Shore & Atl g 5s...1937	J J	78	78	77 ¹ ₂	1	77 ¹ ₂	77 ¹ ₂					Registered...1940	J J			81 ¹ ₂	Sept'19						
Elgin Joliet & East 1st g 5s...1941	M N	86	95	86	May'20							Collateral trust gold 5s...1931	M N	87	89	87 ² ₈	Sept'20			84	91		
Erie 1st consol gold 7s...1920	M S	97	100	98 ² ₈	Aug'20							10-year secured 7s...1930	M N	102	102 ¹ ₂	101 ⁷ ₈	102 ¹ ₂	60	99	102 ¹ ₂			
N Y & Erie 1st ext 4s...1947	M N	89	93	84	Dec'16							L Cln & Lex gold 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1931	M N	86 ¹ ₂ 91	87	87	87	1	85	90			
Registered...1996	J J	47 ¹ ₂ Sale	47 ¹ ₂	47 ¹ ₂	270	38	49					N O & M 1st gold 6s...1930	J J	94	100 ¹ ₂	100	100	2	100	103			
1st consol gen lien g 4s...1996	J J	47 ¹ ₂	47 ¹ ₂	47 ¹ ₂	270	38	49					2d gold 6s...1930	J J	90	100	100	100	Feb'20		100	100		
Registered...1996	J J											Paducah & Mem Div 4s...1946	F A	70	97	79 ¹ ₂	Jan'19						
1st ext gold 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1923	M S	52 ⁸ ₈	52 ⁸ ₈	52 ⁸ ₈	48	47	58 ² ₈					St Louis Div 1st gold 6s...1921	M S	98 ⁵ ₈ 98 ⁴ ₈	98 ⁵ ₈	98 ⁵ ₈	98 ⁵ ₈	2	96 ⁵ ₈	100			
Cleve & Mahon Vall g 5s...1938	J J	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	17	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂					2d gold 3s...1980	M S	51 ³ ₄ Sale	49	51 ¹ ₄	51 ³ ₄	51 ³ ₄	11	45 ¹ ₂	51 ³ ₄		
Gen conv 4 Series D...1953	A O	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂					Atl Knox & Cin Div 4s...1955	J D	83 ⁴ ₂	83 ⁴ ₂	83 ⁴ ₂	83 ⁴ ₂	13	60 ¹ ₂	76			
Chic & Erie 1st gold 5s...1932	M N	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂	75 ¹ ₂					Atl Knox & Nor 1st g 5s...1946	J F	85 ¹ ₂ 95	88 ¹ ₂	88 ¹ ₂	88 ¹ ₂	5	88 ¹ ₂	89			
Wilk & Jersey 1st f 6s...1955	J J	81	85	81	5	78 ⁷ ₈	90					N C & B Bdge gen g 4 ¹ / ₂ s...1945	J J	73		97 ⁷ ₈	May'16						
Genesee River 1st f 6s...1957	J J	80	82 ¹ ₂	83	83	10	79	83				Pensac & Atl 1st gu g 6s...1921	F A	98	98 ² ₈	98 ² ₈	98 ² ₈	2	98 ² ₈	98 ² ₈			
Long Dock consol g 6s...1935	A O	98	108 ² ₈	Sale	108 ² ₈	Sept'19						S & N Ala cons g 5s...1963	A O	87 ⁴ ₁ 101 ² ₂	101 ² ₂	101 ² ₂	101 ² ₂	2	93 ¹ ₂	101 ² ₂			
Coal & RR 1st cur g 6s...1922	M N	75	100	103	Jan'18							Gen cons											

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N Y Cent & H R RR (Con)					Pennsylvania Co (Concl.)					C St L & P 1st cons g 5s—1932	A O	96	98	97	May'20			97	99		
Lake Shore gold 3 1/2s	1997 J D	67 1/4 68	68 Sept'20	65 70	Phila Balt & W 1st g 4s—1943	M N	83 1/2	83	78 May'20	Sodus Bay & Sou 1st g 5s—1924	J	102	Jan '93	78	82 1/2						
Registered	1997 J D	67 1/2	65 Aug'20	65 69	Sunbury & Lewis 1st g 4s—1936	J	70 1/2	70		U N J RR & Can gen 4s—1944	M S	77 1/4	92 Dec'17								
Debenture gold 4s	1928 M S	83	82 1/2 83 1/4	76 87 1/2	2d gold 4 1/2s	M N	—	—	100 June'17	Peoria & Pekin Un 1st 6s g—1921	Q	—	80	87 Mar'16							
26-year gold 4s	1931 M N	83	Sale 81 1/4	61 74 1/2 84 1/2	1st Series B 4s	M N	—	—	82 1/2 Sale	Pere Marquette 1st Ser A 5s—1956	—	—	81 1/4 82 1/2	12 75 1/2 87 1/2							
Registered	1931 M N	—	84 1/2 Nov'19	—	Philippine Ry 1st 30-yr s f 4s—1937	J	41	42	62 65 1/2	1st refunding B 4s	M N	—	41 1/4 41 1/2	5 40 43							
4s	1940 J	70	82 Nov'19	—	Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 5s—1940	A O	82 1/4	90	93 1/2 Apr'20	Jersey Central coll g 4s—1951	A O	85 1/2	88 1/2	9 72 89	93 1/2						
Registered	1940 J	64 1/4	74 1/4 74 1/2	5 74 1/4 77	1st consol gold 5s	J	—	—	97 1/4 Dec'17	Atlantic City guar 4s g—1951	J	—	97 1/4	97 1/4							
J L & S 1st gold 3 1/2s	1951 M S	—	66 1/2 Mar'20	66 1/2 66 1/2	St Jos & Grand Isl 1st g 4s—1947	J J	—	—	60 July'20	St Jos & Grand Isl 1st g 4s—1947	J J	—	60	July'20	55	60					
1st gold 3 1/2s	1952 M N	66	66 1/2 July'20	63 1/2 70 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	—	—	—	Prior lien Ser A 4s	J J	59 1/2	Sale 59 1/4	45 9	52 60						
20-year debenture 4s	1929 A O	75	Sale 75	6 72 81	Prior lien Ser B 5s	J J	73 1/2	73 1/2	59 1/2 62 1/2	Prior lien Ser C 6s	J	89	Sale 87 1/4	90	29 81 90						
20-year debenture 4s	1929 A O	75	Sale 75	6 72 81	Cum adjust Ser A 6s—h 1955	A O	68	68	45 7 56 1/2 68	Income Series A 6s—h 1960	Oct	57	58	117 0	39 58						
Registered	1931 Q M	—	98 1/2 Nov'18	—	St Louis & San Fran gen 6s—1931	J J	94 1/2	92	Aug'20	General gold 5s	—	86	86	1	85 92 1/2						
Debenture 4s	1931 M N	85	Nov'17	—	Southw Div 1st g 5s—1947	J	65	65	90 May'17	St L & S F RR cons g 4s—1996	J J	66 1/2	78 May'16	—							
Debenture 4s	1931 M N	71 1/2	Sale 70	20 64 75	Southw Div 1st g 5s—1947	J	65	65	90 May'17	St L & S F RR cons g 4s—1996	J J	66 1/2	78 May'16	—							
N J June RR guar 1st 4s	1936 F A	58	89 1/2 Feb'16	—	K C Ft S & M cons g 6s—1928	M N	95	95 1/2	96	4 92 1/2 100	K C Ft S & M Ry ref g 4s—1936	M O	67 1/4	Sale 67 1/2	35 56 1/2 70						
N Y & Harlem 3 1/2s	2000 M N	65 1/2	64 May'20	64 64	K C & M R & B 1st gu 5s—1929	A O	76 1/4	86	Aug'20	Caro Cent 1st cgn g 4s—1949	J	60	70 1/2	64 64	86 87 1/2						
N Y & Northern 1st g 5s	1923 A O	90	92 1/2 Jan'20	92 1/2 92 1/2	2d g 4s income bond ctts—1939	J	52 1/2	52	1 39 1/2 52	Gray's Pt Ter 1st gu 5s—1947	J D	64 1/2	64 1/2	90 48 66 1/2	79 49 63 1/2						
N Y & Pu 1st cons g 4s	1993 A O	71	71	10	Consol gold 4s	M N	67 1/4	67 1/2	1 39 1/2 52	S A & A Pass 1st gu 4s—1943	J J	60 1/4	Sale 60	18 54 1/2 62 1/2	88 1/2 84 1/2						
Pine Creek reg guar 6s	1932 J D	95	113 May'15	—	Gold as stamped—1950	A O	55 1/2	57	5 55 60 1/2	Seaboard Air Line g 4s—1950	J	60 1/4	Sale 60	18 54 1/2 62 1/2	88 1/2 84 1/2						
R W & Co 1st ext 5s	1922 A O	96 1/2	96 1/2 Aus'20	95 97 1/2	Adjustment 5s—1949	J	39	37	39 1/4 38 1/2	Seaboard Air Line g 4s—1950	J	60 1/4	Sale 60	18 54 1/2 62 1/2	88 1/2 84 1/2						
Rutland 1st con g 4 1/2s	1941 J	70 1/2	80	77 Oct'19	Refunding 4s—1959	A O	43 1/2	43 1/2	38 1/2 40 1/2	At&T Birm 30-yr 1st g 4s—1932	M S	55 1/4	62	62 1/2 Sept'20	52 64 1/2						
Og&L Cham 1st gu 4s	1948 J	50	60	Aug'20	1st terminal & unifying 5s—1952	J	63 1/4	64 1/2	64 1/2 65 1/2	Caro Cent 1st ext 6s—1923	J	91 1/4	Sale 99 1/2 Nov'19	—							
Rut-Canada 1st gu 4s	1949 J	50	60	Feb'20	1st land grant ext g 5s—1930	J	83	104	101 Dec'15	1st land grant ext g 5s—1930	J	72 1/2	86	81 Mar'20	80 81 1/2						
St Laws & Adir 1st g 5s	1996 J	76	101 Nov'16	—	Consol gold 5s—1943	J	72 1/2	86	81 July'19	Grae Cent 1st ext g 5s—1929	J	82	81	81 July'20	81 82 1/2						
2d gold 6s	1996 A O	103	Nov'16	—	Gold as stamped—1950	A O	54 1/2	54 1/2	81 1/2 85 1/2	Seaboard & Roan 1st 5s—1926	J	88 1/2	Sale 96 1/4 May'19	—							
Utica & Blk Riv 1st gu 4s	1922 J	94	93 1/2 Jan'20	93 1/2 93 1/2	Adjustment 5s—1949	J	39	37	39 1/4 38 1/2	Southern Pacific Co—	—	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
Pitts & L Erie 2d g 5s	1928 A O	78	103 May'17	—	Refunding 4s—1959	A O	43 1/2	43 1/2	38 1/2 40 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 69 1/2 71 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
Pitts McK & Y 1st gu 6s	1932 J	94 1/4	130 1/2 Jan'09	—	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
2d guaranteed 6s	1934 J	93 1/2	95 1/2 June'20	95 1/2 95 1/2	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
West Shore 1st 4s	1936 J	73 1/2	73 1/2	3	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
Registered	1936 J	70	71 1/2	64 1/2 71 1/2	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
N Y C Lines eq tr 5s	1920-22 M N	98 1/2	99 1/4 Feb'19	94 1/2 97 1/2	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
N Y Connect 1st gu 4 1/2s	1953 F A	74 1/2	77 1/2	51	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
N Y N H & Hartford	—	—	—	—	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
Non-conv deben 4s	1947 M S	50 1/2	52 1/2 Sept'20	45 52 1/2	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
Non-conv deben 3 1/2s	1947 M S	43	45 45	1 45 45 1/2	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
Non-conv deben 3 1/2s	1947 A O	45	45 45	2 40 1/2 48 1/2	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
Non-conv deben 4s	1955 J	51 1/2	53	10	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
Non-conv deben 4s	1955 M N	51	54	10 53	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
Conv debenture 3 1/2s	1956 J	45 1/2	49 1/2	44 1/2 Sept'20	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2 60 1/2 70 1/2							
Conv debenture 6s	1948 J	77	Sale 76 1/2	46 65 78	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	Gold as stamped—1950	J	70	Sale 68	70 1/2 83 1/2 73							
Cons Ry non-conv 4s	1930 F A	—	—	—	1st refunding 4s—1959	A O	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2 56 1/2	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	—	70 1/2	Sale 70 1/2	70 1/2 70 1/2							

N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE										N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE															
BONDS		Interest Period		Price Friday Sept. 24		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold		Range Since Jan. 1		BONDS		Interest Period		Price Friday Sept. 24		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold		Range Since Jan. 1			
Week ending Sept. 24										Week ending Sept. 24															
Virginian 1st 5s series A...1962	M N	80 ¹ ₄	Sale	79	80 ¹ ₄	113	72 ⁵ ₈	85 ¹ ₄		No.	Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Bid	Ask	Low	High	
Wabash 1st gold 5s...1939	M N	88	89	86 ³ ₄	87 ¹ ₂	55	79	91			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
2d gold 5s...1939	F A	81 ¹ ₂	Sale	80	81 ¹ ₂	23	73	84			J	77	—	95	Mar'20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Debenture series B...1939	J	—	—	90	Aug'18						J	70	88 ¹ ₂	87	Nov'19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
1st len equip s fd g 5s...1921	M S	95 ¹ ₄	—	97 ¹ ₂	July'19						J	73 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
1st len 50-yr term 4s...1954	J	50	61 ¹ ₂	70 ⁴ ₁	Nov'19						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Det & Ch Ext 1st g 5s...1941	J	75 ¹ ₂	—	88 ¹ ₂	Mar'20						J	77	—	95	Mar'20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Des Moines Dist 1st g 4s...1939	J	—	—	75 ¹ ₂	80	Aug'12					J	70	88 ¹ ₂	87	Nov'19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Om Div 1st g 3 ¹ ₂ s...1941	A O	50 ¹ ₂	58 ¹ ₂	53	July'20						J	73 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Tol & Ch Div 4s...1941	M S	67	—	74 ¹ ₂	Oct'19						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Wash Term 1st gu 3 ¹ ₂ s...1945	F A	68	69	66	July'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
1st 40-yr guar 4s...1945	F A	70 ¹ ₂	—	82	Aug'18						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
West Maryland 1st g 4s...1952	A O	55	Sale	52 ¹ ₂	55 ¹ ₂	89	47	56			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
West N Y & Pa 1st g 5s...1937	J	85	87	84	85	20	81	92			J	70	88 ¹ ₂	87	Nov'19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Gen gold 4s...1943	A O	60 ¹ ₂	63	59	Sept'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Income 5s...1943	N	22 ¹ ₂	—	36	Oct'17						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Western Pac 1st ser A 5s...1946	M S	82	82 ¹ ₂	81	82	53	76 ¹ ₂	88			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Wheeling & L E 1st g 5s...1926	A O	84 ¹ ₂	88	86	Sept'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Wheel Div 1st gold 5s...1928	J	82	83 ¹ ₂	100	Feb'17						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Exten & Impt gold 5s...1930	F A	90 ¹ ₂	—	90 ¹ ₂	Mar'17						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Refunding 4 ¹ ₂ s series A...1949	M S	55 ¹ ₂	58	53	Sept'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
RR 1st consol 4s...1949	M S	55 ¹ ₂	62	55	Sept'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Winston-Salem S B 1st 4s...1960	J	69	69 ¹ ₂	68	69	Sept'20					J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Wis Cent 50-yr 1st gen 4s...1949	J	70	70	70	71	6	60 ¹ ₂	71			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Sup & Dul div & term 1st 4s '36	M N	72	Sale	72	72	3	61	72			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Street Railway.																									
Brooklyn Rapid Tran g 5s...1945	A O	26	40	29	Sept'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
1st refund conv gold 4s...2002	J	22	30	21 ¹ ₂	Aug'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
3-yr 7% secured notes...1921	J	41	Sale	39	41	19	35	50			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Certificates of deposit...1949	J	39	40 ¹ ₂	36	39	14	34 ¹ ₂	47			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Certificates of deposit stamp'd...1949	J	36 ¹ ₂	39	36	36	2	31 ¹ ₂	45			J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Bk City 1st cons 5s...1916-1941	J	60 ¹ ₂	63 ¹ ₂	66	Apr'20						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95
Bk Co & S con g 5s...1941	M N	75	80	78	May'18						J	74 ¹ ₂	Sale	73 ¹ ₂	75	20	70 ⁴ ₁	81 ¹ ₄	95	95	95				

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SHARE PRICES—NOT PER CENTUM PRICES							Sales for the Week	STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE		Range since Jan. 1.		Range for Previous Year 1919.	
Saturday Sept. 18	Monday Sept. 20	Tuesday Sept. 21	Wednesday Sept. 22	Thursday Sept. 23	Friday Sept. 24			Lowest.	Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.		
127 ¹ ₂ 127 ¹ ₂	127 127	127 ¹ ₄ 127 ¹ ₄	127 127	127 127	127 127	85	Boston & Albany	100	119 Feb 17	132 Mar 16	116 Dec	145 Apr	
63 ³ ₄ 63 ³ ₄	64 64 ¹ ₂	63 ³ ₄ 64 ¹ ₄	63 ¹ ₂ 64	63 ¹ ₂ 63 ¹ ₂	63 ¹ ₂ 63 ¹ ₂	1,098	Boston Elevated	100	60 May 25	67 ¹ ₄ Jan 2	62 Dec	80 ¹ ₄ Apr	
*85 87	*85 87	87 88	*85 87	*87	86 86	27	Do pref.	100	80 Feb 18	88 Sept 16	85 Dec	97 Jan	
39 39	38 ³ ₄ 39	38 ¹ ₂ 38 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂ 38 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂ 39 ¹ ₂	38 ¹ ₂ 39 ¹ ₂	360	Boston & Maine	100	30 Feb 11	40 Sept 14	28 Jan	38 ¹ ₂ July	
*48	*48	*48	-	*48	-	-	Boston & Providence	100	39 Jan 6	48 ¹ ₄ Sept 15	40 Oct	50 Jan	
-	*133 140	-	*133 140	-	Last Sale 10 ¹ ₂ Sept 20	-	Boston & Suburban Elec. no par	100	124 Jan 28	143 Mar 15	130 Sept	168 Jan	
-	-	-	*10	*34 ¹ ₂ 34 ¹ ₂	*34 ¹ ₂ 4	15	Do pref. no par	3 ¹ ₂	Aug 6	7 Mar 8	3 ¹ ₂ Nov	11 Jan	
*31 ² ₁ 41 ²	*31 ² ₁ 31 ² ₁	31 ² ₁ 31 ² ₁	*31 ² ₁	*31 ² ₁	*31 ² ₁ 50		Bost. & Worc. Elec. pre. no par	3 ¹ ₂	Sept 21	11 Mar 5	2 ¹ ₂ Nov	30 Feb	
*131 136	*131 136	72 72	71 ¹ ₂ 71 ¹ ₂	*71 ¹ ₂	Last Sale 130 Sept 20	31	Chic June Ry & U S Y.	100	130 Jan 30	132 Jan 8	132 Oct	135 Jan	
-	-	-	-	-	Last Sale 103 ⁴ Oct 19	-	Do pref.	100	71 Aug 31	86 Jan 2	84 Feb	90 June	
-	-	-	-	-	Last Sale 72 Mar 20	-	Georgia Ry & Elec stampd.	100	68 Jan 12	72 Mar 30	70 Mar	78 ¹ ₂ July	
*65	*65	66 67	*66	68 68	70 70	110	Maine Central	100	60 Jan 3	70 Mar 5	59 ¹ ₂ Dec	83 Jan	
*33 ⁵ ₈ 34	34 ¹ ₂ 35 ³ ₄	35 35 ¹ ₈	35 35 ¹ ₂	35 ⁴ ₁ 37	36 ¹ ₂ 37 ¹ ₄	1,781	N Y N H & Hartford	100	23 ¹ ₂ Feb 11	37 ¹ ₄ Sept 24	25 ¹ ₄ Dec	40 ¹ ₄ July	
*80	*80	-	*80	-	Last Sale 80 Sept 20	-	Northern New Hampshire	100	80 July 9	86 Jan 6	86 Dec	99 ¹ ₂ Aug	
*82	*84	*82	83	83	*85 91	5	Norwich & Worcester pref.	100	77 July 21	89 July 7	94 Oct	115 Oct	
*81 84	83 83	80 82	80 80	80 80	80 80	143	Old Colony	100	73 July 8	86 April 1	7 ¹ ₂ Dec	105 Jan	
23 23	24 24	*24 ¹ ₂ 25	25 25	*24 ¹ ₄ 25	25 25	285	Rutland pref.	100	15 Jan 20	25 ⁴ Sept 1	15 Dec	23 May	
*76 80	*76 80	*76 78	*76 78	*76 78	76 76	20	Vermont & Massachusetts	100	70 June 15	87 Jan 31	82 Oct	100 Jan	
*42 ¹ ₂ 42 ⁷ ₈	*40 ¹ ₄ 41 ¹ ₂	40 40	40 40	40 40	40 40	170	West End Street	50	38 May 17	45 ⁴ Jan 3	38 ¹ ₂ Sept	50 Apr	
*49 ¹ ₄ 49 ⁴ ₄	*49 ¹ ₄ 49 ⁴ ₄	49 ¹ ₄ 49 ⁴ ₄	49 49	*49 50	*49 50	27	Do pref.	50	48 July 7	55 ¹ ₂ Jan 6	47 Sept	58 June	
-	-	-	-	-	Miscellaneous	-	Am Oil Engineering	10	3 Aug 11	7 ¹ ₄ Mar 15	5 Dec	7 ¹ ₄ Nov	
*37 ⁸ 4	4 4	44 44	4 4	*31 ² ₁ 4	*31 ² ₁ 4	540	Amer Pneumatic Service	25	1 Feb 24	2 ¹ ₂ Sept 24	55 ¹ ₂ Jan	2 Aug	
*2 ³ ₈ 2 ¹ ₂	2 ¹ ₂ 2 ¹ ₄	*2 ¹ ₂ 2 ¹ ₂	*2 ¹ ₂ 2 ¹ ₂	2 ³ ₈ 2 ³ ₈	2 ³ ₈ 2 ³ ₈		Do pref.	50	5 Feb 10	11 Sept 24	2 ¹ ₂ Apr	94 Aug	
*91 ² 10	91 ² 91 ²	*91 ² 10	91 ² 10	*91 ² 10	10 11	277	Amer Telep & Teleg	100	80 Apr 30	100 ³ Sept 16	95 Dec	108 ¹ ₂ May	
100 100 ⁵ ₈	29 ⁸ ₂ 98 ⁴ ₂	98 ⁴ ₂ 98 ⁴ ₂	98 ² ₁ 99	98 ² ₁ 98	98 ² ₁ 98	2,523	Amoskeag Mfg.	no par	74 July 29	167 April 20	79 Feb	152 Nov	
75 ¹ ₂ 76	*76 79	*76 79	79 79	78 78	-	255	Do pref.	no par	71 July 26	83 Jan 13	78 ¹ ₂ Jan	84 ¹ ₂ Dec	
*72 75	*72 75	75 75	75 75	74 74	72 72	80	Anglo-Am Comm Corp.	no par	5 July 2	19 Jan 5	16 Dec	21 ¹ ₂ Nov	
*4 5	*4 5	*4 5	*4 5	*4 5	Last Sale 5 Sept 20	-	Art Metal Construc Inc.	10	14 ² Aug 17	38 April 20	17 ¹ ₂ Jan	26 ¹ ₂ Dec	
25 25	24 ⁸ ₂ 26 ¹ ₂	24 25	24 ² ₁ 25	24 24	24 ² ₁ 25	1,079	Atlas Tack Corporation	no par	23 ¹ ₄ Sept 3	35 ⁴ April 17	-	-	
*71 ⁴ 73 ⁴	*71 ⁴ 73 ⁴	71 ⁴ 73 ⁴	*71 ⁴ 73 ⁴	7 7	7 7	200	Beacon Chocolate	10	7 Sept 23	10 April 23	-	-	
10 10 ¹ ₄	29 ⁴ ₂ 10	91 ² 10	10 ¹ ₄ 10	9 ³ ₂ 9	9 ¹ ₄ 9	3,591	Bigheart Prod & Refg.	10	6 Feb 11	12 ¹ ₂ April 14	7 Dec	13 ¹ ₂ May	
25 ⁸ 25 ⁸	25 ⁸ 3	1 ³ ₂ 2 ⁷ ₈	1 ³ ₂ 2 ⁷ ₈	1 ³ ₂ 1 ³ ₄	1 ³ ₂ 1 ³ ₄	18,311	Boston Mex Pet Trustees	no par	1 ¹ ₄ Sept 24	3 ³ Jan 3	2 ¹ ₂ Dec	4 ¹ ₂ Nov	
21 ⁸ 3	3 ² ₁ 3	2 ³ ₁ 2 ³ ₂	2 ³ ₁ 2 ³ ₂	2 ³ ₁ 2 ³ ₂	2 ³ ₁ 2 ³ ₂	800	Century Steel of Amer Inc.	10	1 ³ ₄ Sept 17	7 Jan 5	6 Dec	15 ¹ ₂ Mar	
14 ³ 14 ³	14 ² 14 ²	14 ¹ ₂ 14 ¹ ₂	14 ¹ ₂ 14 ¹ ₂	14 14	13 ⁷ ₈ 13 ⁷ ₈	250	Connor (John T.)	10	12 ¹ ₂ April 23	14 ³ Sept 17	-	-	
*4 ¹ ₂ 5	*4 ¹ ₂ 5	*4 ¹ ₂ 5	*4 ¹ ₂ 5	*4 ¹ ₂ 5	Last Sale 4 ¹ ₂ Sept 20	-	East Boston Land	10	3 ⁴ Feb 14	61 ² Mar 23	4 ¹ ₂ Jan	67 ¹ ₂ June	
31 ⁴ ₈ 32 ⁴ ₈	32 ⁴ ₈ 33 ⁴ ₈	32 ⁴ ₈ 33 ⁴ ₈	32 ⁴ ₈ 33 ⁴ ₈	33 33 ¹ ₂	32 ⁴ ₈ 32 ⁴ ₈	5,335	Eastern Manufacturing	5	27 ⁴ Feb 13	36 ¹ ₂ Jan 3	31 ¹ ₂ Dec	34 Nov	
*20 21	20 ¹ ₈ 20 ¹ ₈	*20 21	20 21	20 ¹ ₈ 20 ¹ ₈	20 20	260	Eastern SS Lines Inc.	25	17 ¹ ₄ Aug 13	23 ⁴ May 7	6 Jan	24 Dec	
*75 80	*75 80	75 75	75 75	*75 80	*75 80	18	Do pref.	100	62 Aug 10	88 April 8	39 Apr	79 Dec	
149 150	150 150	149 150	149 150	149 ⁷ ₂ 149 ⁷ ₂	149 ⁷ ₂ 149 ⁷ ₂	112	Edison Electric Illum.	100	140 May 15	157 Feb 20	138 Oct	172 Jan	
23 ¹ ₂ 24 ¹ ₂	23 ¹ ₂ 24 ¹ ₂	23 ¹ ₂ 24 ¹ ₂	23 ¹ ₂ 24 ¹ ₂	23 ¹ ₂ 24 ¹ ₂	23 ¹ ₂ 24 ¹ ₂	665	Elder Corporation	no par	22 ⁴ Sept 17	36 ¹ ₂ Jan 3	23 ¹ ₂ Oct	38 ¹ ₂ May	
*14 ¹ ₂ 15	*14 ¹ ₂ 15	15 15	*14 ¹ ₂ 15	14 14	-	110	Gorton-Pew Fisheries	50	12 ¹ ₂ Sept 8	26 June 3	28 Apr	38 May	
*14 ¹ ₂ 15	*14 ¹ ₂ 15	15 15	*14 ¹ ₂ 15	14 14	-	120	Greenfield Tap & Die	25	37 ⁴ July 27	60 May 25	-	-	
*19 20	20 20	20 20	*19 20	19 19	19 19	1,337	Internat Cement Corp.	no par	16 ¹ ₂ April 14	28 ¹ ₂ Sept 21	-	-	
*19 21	19 21	19 19	19 19	19 19	19 19	2,212	Internat Products	no par	14 ³ June 19	45 Jan 2	19 Mar	58 ¹ ₂ Oct	
*44 ¹ ₂ 45 ¹ ₂	45 45 ³ ₄	45 45	*45 ¹ ₂ 45 ¹ ₂	*45 ¹ ₂ 45 ¹ ₂	*45 ¹ ₂ 45 ¹ ₂	330	Do pref.	100	42 Aug 9	81 ² Feb 7	75 July	90 Sept	
*63 ⁸ 65 ⁸	61 ² 67 ⁸	61 ² 67 ⁸	*61 ² 67 ⁸	61 ² 67 ⁸	61 ² 67 ⁸	528	Island Oil & Trans Corp.	10	44 ¹ March 4	81 ² April 8	54 ¹ ₂ Dec	98 ¹ ₂ Feb	
*65 ¹ ₂ 65 ¹ ₂	65 65	65 65	6										

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange Sept. 18 to Sept. 24, both inclusive:

Bonds—	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices. Low. High.	Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.		Low.	High.
				Low.	High.		
U S Lib Loan 3 1/2% 1932-47	89.84	90.24	\$15,450	89.04 May	100.00 Jan		
2d Lib Loan 4s 1927-42	55.04	55.04	100	82.04 May	92.34 Jan		
1st Lib L 4 1/2% 1932-47	85.64	86.98	10,500	82.14 May	93.80 Jan		
2d Lib L 4 1/2% 1927-42	84.84	86.24	32,550	81.60 May	92.98 Jan		
3d Lib Loan 4 1/2% 1928	88.44	89.20	32,400	86.00 May	94.96 Jan		
4th Lib L 4 1/2% 1933-38	82.48	86.58	46,850	81.74 May	92.98 Jan		
Victory 4 1/2% 1922-23	95.34	95.76	13,300	94.84 May	99.30 Jan		
Atch Top & Fe 4s 1995	76%	76%	2,000	70% June	81% Jan		
Alt G & W I SS L 5s 1939	70 1/2	70 1/2	9,500	68 Aug	81 Jan		
Carson Hill Gold 7s 1923	109	109	3,000	100 Feb	150 Jan		
Chic Junc & U S Y 5s 1940	77	77	2,000	74 July	84 1/2 Jan		
French Govt 8s 1945	102 1/2	102 1/2	3,000	102 1/2 Sept	102 1/2 Sept		
K C Mem & B Inc 5s 1934	66	66	1,000	63 Sept	66 Jan		
Miss River Power 5s 1951	73 1/2	74 1/2	28,000	69% Mar	76 Jan		
N E Telephone 5s 1932	79 1/2	80 1/2	9,000	77 Aug	85 Mar		
New River 5s 1934	79 1/2	79 1/2	12,000	75 Feb	80 May		
N Y Central deb 6s 1935	91 1/2	91 1/2	1,000	91% Sept	91% Sept		
Pond Creek Coal 6s 1923	93	93	15,000	92 Jan	93 1/2 Apr		
Swift & Co 1st 5s 1944	83 1/2	82 1/2	14,000	82 May	93 1/2 Jan		
Union Pacific 6s 1928	98 1/2	98 1/2	2,000	98 1/2 Sept	98 1/2 Sept		
Western Tel & Tel 5s 1932	77 1/2	77 1/2	4,000	77 June	84 Jan		

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, Sept. 18 to Sept. 24, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices. Low. High.	Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.		Low.	High.
					Low.	High.		
Alabama Co.	100	81	81 1/2	35	75 July	90 Jan		
Atlantic Petroleum	10	3 1/2	3 1/2	325	2% Feb	4 1/2 Apr		
Baltimore Brick	100	2	2 1/2	100	1% Jan	2 1/2 Jan		
Boston Sand & Gravel		25	25	4	20 Aug	25 Aug		
Celeste Oil	1	1.10	1.25	3,424	1.05 June	3.40 Jan		
Cent Teresa Sugar pref.		8	8	20	7 1/2 Aug	11 Jan		
Commercial Credit	25	46	46	35	39 July	46 Jan		
Consol Gas, E L & Pow	100	93 1/2	94 1/2	482	93 1/2 Sept	103 1/2 Jan		
Consolidation Coal	100	84 1/2	85	248	74 1/2 June	89 May		
Cosden & Co.—no par		40	40 1/2	546	40 Sept	45 1/2 Mar		
Preferred	5	4 1/2	4 1/2	200	3% May	4 1/2 Jan		
Davison Chemical—no par	38 1/2	37	39	285	32 1/2 Feb	44 1/2 Apr		
Elkhorn Coal Corp.	50	23 1/2	23 1/2	1,600	20 1/2 Feb	27 Apr		
Houston Oil pref tr cts.	100	76 1/2	80	130	67 1/2 May	93 1/2 Jan		
Mt V-Wood Mills v t r.	100	30	30	10	30 Aug	70 Jan		
Preferred v t r.	100	69	69	93	66 Aug	95 Jan		
Northern Central	50	64	64 1/2	42	60 July	70 Jan		
Pennsy Water & Power 100		81 1/2	82 1/2	99	74 Feb	84 1/2 Mar		
Seaboard Air Line	100	16 1/2	16 1/2	400	13 Aug	16 1/2 Sept		
United Ry & Electric	50	12 1/2	12 1/2	700	11 Feb	15 Jan		
Bonds—								
Chicago Ry 1st 5s 1927		60 1/2	60 1/2	\$6,000	56% May	70 Jan		
Consolidated Gas 5s 1939		86	86 1/2	4,000	85 1/2 Aug	96 Jan		
Cons G, EL&P 4 1/2% 1935	74 1/2	74	74 1/2	12,000	72 1/2 June	81 Jan		
7 per cent notes		96 1/2	96 1/2	1,000	96 1/2 July	100 1/2 Jan		
6 per cent notes		93	93 1/2	3,000	93 June	96 Jan		
Consol Coal ref 5s 1950	72 1/2	72 1/2	5,000	69 July	79 Jan			
Convertible 6s 1923		96	96	4,500	96 Jan	98 1/2 Apr		
Cosden & Co conv s f.		92 1/2	93	17,000	83 May	93 1/2 Apr		
Elkhorn Coal Corp 6s 1925	91	91	4,000	89 May	95 1/2 Jan			
Fla Cent & Penin extd 6s		93	93	1,000	93 June	99 1/2 Feb		
Georgia & Ala cons 5s 1945		78	78	2,000	75 July	82 1/2 Mar		
Ga Sou & Florida 5s 1945		75 1/2	75 1/2	1,000	75% Sept	87 1/2 Jan		
Macon Dub & Sav 5s 1947		62	62	4,000	60 June	62 Sept		
United Ry & E 4s 1949	62	61 1/2	62	18,000	55 May	69 Jan		
Income 4s		48 1/2	48 1/2	4,000	42 Mar	49 1/2 Sept		
Funding 5s		61 1/2	62 1/2	12,000	56 Mar	62 1/2 Jan		
do small	1936	62 1/2	62 1/2	600	56 Mar	63 Jan		
6 per cent notes	90	89 1/2	90	5,000	85 1/2 May	91 Feb		
Wash B & A 5s	1941	69 1/2	69 1/2	1,000	69 Aug	76 1/2 Jan		

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange Sept. 18 to Sept. 24, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices. Low. High.	Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.		Low.	High.
					Low.	High.		
Amer Rolling Mill com	.25	60 1/2	60 1/2	16	50 Feb	64 1/2 July		
Amer Vitrified Prod com 50		12	16	420	9 1/2 July	16 1/2 Apr		
Amer Wind Glass Mach	100	110	111	250	107 1/2 Aug	135 Jan		
Preferred	100	86	86	25	86 Sept	95 Jan		
Arkansas Nat Gas com	10	11 1/2	11 1/2	2,950	9% Aug	45 Jan		
Bank of Pittsburgh	50	140	140	4	131 Feb	147 June		
Barnsdall Corp class A	.25	41	41	125	36 Aug	47 Apr		
Carbo Hydrogen Co com	.5	1 1/2	1 1/2	540	1% May	3 1/2 Jan		
Preferred	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	40	3% June	5 Jan		
Carnegie Lead & Zinc	5	6	6	1,328	3 1/2 Aug	11 1/2 Jan		
Consolidated Ice com	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	800	3 June	4 1/2 Mar		
Crucible Steel pref	100	95	95	10	92 July	100 Jan		
Fayette County Gas	90	90	10	90	Sept	90 Sept		
Guffey-Gillespie Oil (no par)	32 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2	3,465	25 1/2 June	39 Jan		
Habirshaw El Cable (no par)	14 1/2	14 1/2	15 1/2	110	14 1/2 June	17 Apr		
Harb-Walk Refrac com	100	91	91	70	89 Sept	119 Feb		
Indep Brewing com	50	2	2	1,765	2 Sept	5 1/2 Apr		
Preferred	50	8	8	35	8 Jan	15 1/2 Apr		
Kay County Gas	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	200	1 1/2 Jan	2 1/2 Apr		
Lone Star Gas	25	31 1/2	32 1/2	1,535	25 June	45 1/2 Jan		
Mfrs' Light & Heat	50	54 1/2	55	297	48 1/2 July	61 1/2 Jan		
Marland Petroleum	5	4 1/2	4 1/2	9,829	4 May	6 1/2 Jan		
Middle States Oil	10	16 1/2	16 1/2	10	12 Aug	38 1/2 Feb		
Nat Fireproofing com	50	6 1/2	6 1/2	670	5 1/2 July	9 1/2 Apr		
Preferred	50	13	13 1/2	430	11 Aug	19 1/2 Apr		
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	48	50	1,400	44 Feb	55 1/2 Apr		
Oklahoma Nat Gas	25	32 1/2	34 1/2	1,344	29 1/2 July	52 1/2 Mar		
Paragon Refining		26	26	325	26 Sept	26 Sept		
Pittsb Brewing com	50	4	4	240	3 1/2 Aug	8 1/2 Apr		
Preferred	50	10	10	11	420	10 Sept		
Pittsburgh Coal com	100	66 1/2	71	255	51 1/2 Mar	71 Sept		
Preferred	100	85	85	227	84 1/2 Aug	92 Jan		
Pittsb-Jerome Copper	1	7c	9c	1,000	4c July	25c Jan		
Pittsb & Mt Shasta Copp. 1	42c	41c	42c	8,000	30c Aug	53c Jan		
Pittsb Oil & Gas	100	12 1/2	14	345	11 May	18 Mar		
Pittsb Plate Glass	100	165	165	170	612 Aug	172 Apr		
Stand Sanit Mfg com	100	120	120	40	114 May			

New York "Curb" Market.—Below we give a record of the transactions in the outside security market from Sept. 18 to Sept. 24, both inclusive. It covers the week ending Friday afternoon.

It should be understood that no such reliability attaches to transactions on the "Curb" as to those on the regularly organized stock exchanges.

On the New York Stock Exchange, for instance, only members of the Exchange can engage in business, and they are permitted to deal only in securities regularly listed—that is, securities where the companies responsible for them have complied with certain stringent requirements before being admitted to dealings. Every precaution, too, is taken to insure that quotations coming over the "tape," or reported in the official list at the end of the day, are authentic.

On the "Curb," on the other hand, there are no restrictions whatever. Any security may be dealt in and any one can meet there and make prices and have them included in the lists of those who make it a business to furnish daily records of the transactions. The possibility that fictitious transactions may creep in, or even that dealings in spurious securities may be included, should, hence, always be kept in mind, particularly as regards mining shares. In the circumstances, it is out of the question for any one to vouch for the absolute trustworthiness of this record of "Curb" transactions, and we give it for what it may be worth.

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices. Low. High.	Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.		Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices. Low. High.	Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
					Low.	High.						Low.	High.
Industrial & Miscell.							Other Oil Stocks						
Acme Coal.r.....1		2%	1% 2%	7,500	1% Jan	4% Apr	Allen Oil.r.....1		1% 2%	10,000	1% Sept	3% 4%	Apr
Aetna Explosives.(no par)		11%	11% 11%	11,300	7 May	11% July	Allied Oil.r.....1		22c 22c	27c 76,000	19c Aug	15-16	Jan
Air Reduction.(no par)		44	45	300	35 Aug	49 Jan	Anna Bell.....1		4 4	1,500	4 Sept	1	Apr
Allied Packers.(no par)		8%	8% 8%	500	8% Sept	36 Jan	Arkansas Nat Gas.r.....10		11% 11%	820	9 Aug	45	Jan
Am Candy Co.com.(no par)		6	6	100	5 May	11% Feb	Atlantic Gulf Oil Corp.100		73% 74%	430	71 Aug	90	Apr
Amer Chicle pref.r.....100		62%	64	105	58 July	69 July	Bighorn Prod & Ref.10		10% 10%	200	8% Aug	18	Apr
Amer Writ Paper, com.100		10	11	400	5 May	12% Jan	Boone Oil.r.....5		2% 2%	25,600	1% Aug	7%	Jan
Armour Leather com.r.....15		15%	16	1,300	15 Feb	18 Feb	Boston-Mex Petrol.r.....1		1% 1%	4,700	1% Apr	3%	Jan
Preferred.r.....100		93%	93%	400	90% June	94% July	Boston-Wyoming Oil.r.....1	1-16	1 1-16	7,500	4% Apr	1%	Mar
Automatic Fuel S.r.....55		54	59	1,900	45% Sept	61 June	Carib Syndicate new.r.....5		12% 15%	13,900	9 Aug	53	Jan
Borden Co.com.r.....100		98	96%	99	100 Aug	108 July	Cosden & Co.com.r.....5		7% 8	200	6% Aug	10%	Jan
Preferred.r.....100		82%	83	125	80 July	91 July	Cushing Petr Corp.com.r.....5		4% 5	17,300	3% July	3	Jan
Brit-Am Tob Ord bear.....1		12	12%	1,400	12 Aug	28% Jan	Denny Oil.r.....1		1% 1%	12,000	3% Aug	1%	Aug
Brit Empire Steel, com.100		21	21	100	18 Aug	39 July	Dominion Oil.r.....10		10% 11%	14,500	5% Aug	39%	Jan
7% preferred.....100		41	41	100	36 Aug	52% Aug	Dunn Petroleum.....5		90c 100c	11,700	80c Sept	1%	Aug
Bucyrus Co.r.....100		20%	20%	100	19 Sept	32 June	Elk Basin Petrol.r.....5		8% 9	2,800	6% Aug	11%	Mar
Car Ltg & Power.r.....25		3%	4	10,100	1% Aug	4 Sept	Engineers Petrol Co.r.....1		1% 1%	18,600	1 May	7%	Feb
Chicago Nipple Mig cl A 10		9%	10%	9,200	3% June	14% July	Esmeralda Oil & Gas.r.....1		1% 2%	3,800	4% July	4%	Mar
Cities Serv Bankers shs r(t)		34%	34%	5,800	29% Aug	44% Jan	Federal Oil.....5		2% 2%	6,500	2 May	4%	Jan
Cleveland Auto Co. new.(t)		50	53	400	48 Aug	91 Mar	Gilliland Oil.com.r.(no par)		30% 30%	300	26 June	60%	Jan
Colombian Emer Synd new		6%	6%	100	4% June	25 Jan	Preferred.r.....100		94 94	100	80 June	120	Jan
Conley Tin Foli.....(t)		21%	21%	400	18 Aug	29% July	Glenrock Oil.r.....10		1% 2%	7,600	1% May	3%	Jan
Continental Motors.r.....10		9	9	300	8% Aug	14% Jan	Grenada Oil Corp el A.10		9% 9%	600	6 Jan	16	Apr
Crude Chemical.com.r.....1		1	1	900	% Aug	1% Feb	Guffey-Gillespie Oil.r.....(t)		32 33%	8,900	25% June	39%	Jan
Davies(Wm.)Co.Inc.r.....(t)		37%	37%	300	31 Aug	50 Jac	Imperial Oil.r.....16		16 17%	1,600	15 Aug	17%	Sept
EmpireTubedSteel.(no par)		14%	13%	4,700	7% July	14% Sept	Internat Petrol.r.....21		33% 35	1,900	27 Aug	77	Jan
Farrell(Wm.)&Son com r(t)		22	22	600	20 Aug	54 Apr	Leetone Petroleum.....1		1% 1%	1,800	1% Aug	1%	Aug
Firestone T & Rub, com.10		121	119	120	107 Aug	170 Mar	Livingston Petrol.r.....6		6 6%	2,300	4% Aug	11	May
Gardiner Motor Co.(no par)		23	23	2,400	23 Sept	29% July	Lone Star Gas.r.....25		30% 32	475	25 May	38	Feb
Garland Steamship.r.....(t)		3%	4	700	3% Sept	4 Sept	Manhattan Oil.r.(no par)		7% 7%	500	2 May	41	Jan
Gen Asphalt.com.r.....100		58%	58%	31,400	40% Aug	130 Jan	Maracaibo Oil Explor.(t)		19 20	900	15% Aug	29	July
Goldwyn Picture r (no par)		7%	7%	6,100	7 Sept	34 Jan	Merritt Oil Corp.r.....10		14% 15%	2,400	10% Aug	22%	Jan
Goodyear Tire & Rub r 100		100	101	65	100 Sept	132 June	Mexican Panuco Oil.....12		12 13	400	9 Feb	21	Jan
Preferred.r.....100		84	84	30	83 Aug	100 June	Midwest Refining.r.....50		151 155	600	128 May	190	Jan
Grape Oil Prod Corp com 1		1%	1%	8,400	1 Jan	2% Sept	National Oil.r.....10		8c 10c	11,600	40 July	3%	Jan
Preferred.r.....1		3%	3%	8,400	1 Jan	3% Sept	North American Oil.r.....5		7% 8	4,000	6% Aug	8%	Sept
Hercules Paper.(no par)		23%	26	3,600	14% Mar	Parhandle Prod&Ref pf 100		68 68	1,000	2% Aug	5%	Jan	
Heyden Chemical.(no par)		4	4%	1,600	3% Aug	Pennock Oil.r.....10		25% 26%	500	25% Sept	26%	Sept	
Hocking Val Prod.(no par)		7%	7%	200	6% July	Petrol Prod of Amer.10		7	7%	3,300	3% Aug	1 Aug	
Imp Tob & G B & Ire.R.£1		8	8	1,000	8 Sept	Producers & Ref of Amer.10		6% 6%	14,250	5% Aug	10%	Jan	
Indian Packing Corp.r.....(t)		4%	4%	7,500	4 Sept	Red Rock Oil & Gas.r.....1		2% 2%	2,600	3% May	1% Mar		
Intercontinental Rubb.100		10%	13%	3,000	10 Feb	Ryan Cons d. w.1		20 21%	1,400	18 Aug	40%	May	
Kay County Gas.r.....1		1%	1%	14,900	1% Sept	Salt Creek Producers.r.....25		31 33%	1,100	29% Aug	56	Feb	
Libby,McNeill&Libby.r 10		12%	12%	1,500	10% Aug	Sapulpa Refining.r.....5		5% 5%	100	4% May	7%	Jan	
Locomobile Co.r.(no par)		7	7	600	6 Sept	Settled Prod.r.....2		1% 2%	6,700	1% Aug	2	Sept	
New preferred.r.....100		55	55	40	55 Sept	Simms Petroleum r(no par)		12% 13%	11,400	9% Aug	73%	Jan	
Mercer Motors.(no par)		8	8	1,900	8 Sept	Skelly Oil Co.r.....10		9% 10%	7,500	9 Feb	13%	Jan	
Morris (Philip) Co.Ltd.		5	5	600	5 May	Spencer Petroleum Corp.10		13% 14%	3,600	12 Sept	22%	Mar	
National Leather.r.....10		11	11	500	10 Aug	Texas Chief Oll.r.....10		10% 12%	2,900	8 Aug	47%	Jan	
Nor Am Pulp & Paper.(t)		6%	6%	5,200	3% Aug	Texas-Ranger Prod & Ref 1		1% 1%	1,800	3% Aug	1%	June	
Peerless Tr & Mot.r.....50		33%	33%	100	30% Aug	Tex-Ken Oil Corp.r.....5		2% 2%	500	1% April	40	Mar	
Perfection T & R.r.....10		1%	1%	6,300	11% Aug	Texon Oil & Land.r.....1		11-16% 11-16%	47,500	4% April	1%	Jan	
Radio Corp of Amer.r.....(t)		3	3	9,500	1% June	Tropical Oil Corp.r.....25		18 18	100	15 Feb	23%	Jan	
Preferred.r.....5		3%	3%	5,900	1% May	United Tex Petrol.r.....1		9-16 11-16	4,800	9-16 Sept	1%	Jan	
Reo Motor Car.r.....10		24	24%	200	21 June	Victoria Oil.r.....10		1% 1%	13,000	3% May	*23%	Jan	
Republic Rubber.r (no par)		2	1%	6,700	1% Sept	Vulcan Oil.r.....5		1 1%	7,800	1% Jan	9%	Jan	
Reynolds (R J) Tob B 25		41	39	4,700	38% Sept	Whelan Oil.r.....1		1% 1%	800	4% July	1	Jan	
Root & Vandev't com.100		28%	28%	100	28% Sept	White Oil Corp.(no par)		23% 25	17,500	16 July	*50	Jan	
Roy de France Toilet Prod5		5%	5%	1,400	4 Aug	Mining Stocks—							
Singer Mfg Ltd.r.....1		3%	3%	400	3% Sept	Alaska-Brit Col Metals.....1		15-16 1%	8,100	3% July	2%	Apr	
Singer Mfg.r.....100		128	126	75	117 June	Alvarado Min & Mill.r.....20		14% 15%	2,600	13 Sept	15%	July	
Standard Parts com.r.....100		10	10	100	9 Sept	America Mines.r.....1		1% 1%	1,500	3% June	1-3-16	Mar	
Submarine Boat v t c.(t)		12	11%	2,200	10 Aug	Arizona Globe Copper.....1		9-16 9%	3,100	7-16 Aug	15-16	June	
Sweets Co of Amer.r.....10		1%	1%	19,200	1% Aug	Atlanta Mines.r.....1		2% 2%	24,800	1c May	40	Mar	
Swift & Co.r.....100		110	110	50	106 Aug	Belcher-Divide.r.....10c		2c 2%	1,600	2c June	38%	Jan	
Swift Internat.r.....15		32	32	900	28% Aug	Belcher Extension.r.....10c		6c 6%	20,400	2c June	38%	Jan	
Tobacco Prod Exports r(t)		16	13%	9,600	9 Aug	Big Ledge Copper Co.....5		8% 10%	22,600	2% April	49%	Jan	
Triangle Film Corp v t c.		%	%	12,500	1% Sept	Booth.r.....1		7-16 7-16	7,500	3-16 May	3%	June	
Union Carbide & Carb.r.....(t)		65%	67%	600	58% Aug	Boston & Montana Dev.....5		6c 6%	18,500	3c July	70	Jan	
United Profit Sharng.....25c		1%	1%	10,400	1 Aug	Caledonia Mining.....1		3c 3%	29,800	4-1/2c June	120	Mar	
Un Retall St's Candy.r.....(t)		12	11%	12,600	7% July	Calumet & Jerome Copp.r.....1		4% 4%	6,700	5c Aug	10	Jan	
U S Distributing com.r.....50		37%	39%	1,500	32 June	Canada Copper Co Ltd.....5		1%					

Bonds—	Friday Last Sale.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.	
	Price.	Sale.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.
Allied Pack conv deb'ts r'39	55 1/2	50 1/2	57	255,000	50 1/2	Sept	98 1/2	Jan
Amer Tel & Tel 6s.r. 1922	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	\$74,000	92 1/2	Aug	97 1/2	Jan
6% notes.r. 1924	92 1/2	93 1/2	31,000	91 1/2	June	96 1/2	Jan	
American Tobacco 7s. 1923	99 1/2	99 1/2	35,000	99 1/2	Sept	101 1/2	Mar	
Anaconda Cop Min 6s.r. 29	91 1/2	91 1/2	92	6,000	87 1/2	June	98 1/2	Jan
Anglo-Amer Oil 7 1/2% ..25	99 1/2	99	99 1/2	52,000	98	Aug	101	Mar
Armour & Co 7% notes r'30	95 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	145,000	94 1/2	July	96 1/2	Aug
Beth Steel 7% notes r. 1923	97	97 1/2	5,000	97	Sept	101 1/2	Jan	
7% equip tr c'ts w. 1. 1935	95	94 1/2	95 1/2	266,000	94 1/2	Sept	95	Sept
Boone Oil 6s.1921	41	40	42	42,000	36	Aug	43	Sept
Canadian Nat Rys 7s. 1933	99 1/2	99 1/2	9,000	99 1/2	Sept	99 1/2	Sept	
C C C & St L Ry 6s.r. 1929	87 1/2	87	87 1/2	15,000	82	Apr	88	Jan
Column Graph Mfg 8s. 1925	99	99	10,000	99	Aug	99 1/2	Aug	
Cons Textile deb'ts 7s.r. 1923	92 1/2	92	92 1/2	10,000	90	July	103 1/2	Apr
French Govt 4s.r.	47	48 1/2	60,000	45	Sept	62	June	
French Govt 5s.r.	60	61	18,000	56	Sept	77	July	
Goodrich (BF) Co Co 7s. 1925	92	92 1/2	34,000	90	Aug	99	Apr	
Interboro R T 7s.r. 1921	62 1/2	64	50,000	56 1/2	Aug	76	Jan	
Kennecott Copper 7s'r. 1930	93	92 1/2	93	18,000	90	May	98 1/2	Jan
Morrill & Co 7 1/2% s.r. 1930	97 1/2	96 1/2	88,000	96 1/2	Sept	98 1/2	Aug	
Nat Cloak & Suit 8s.r. 1930	98	99 1/2	60,000	95	Sept	99 1/2	Sept	
N Y N H & Hart 4s.r. 1922	75	73	75	145,000	69 1/2	Aug	75	Sept
Ohio Cities Gas 7s.r. 1921	98 1/2	98	98 1/2	13,000	98	Sept	98 1/2	Sept
7s.r.1922	95 1/2	96	7,000	95	Sept	97 1/2	June	
7s.r.1923	92 1/2	93 1/2	20,000	93 1/2	Sept	95 1/2	June	
7s.r.1924	93 1/2	93 1/2	6,000	93 1/2	Sept	94	Sept	
7s.r.1925	95	93 1/2	140,000	94	Aug	94 1/2	July	
Pan-Amer Petrol & Tr 7s'20	94	94 1/2	140,000	94	Aug	94 1/2	July	
Russian Govt 6 1/2% s.r. 1919	22	24	10,000	22	Sept	39	Feb	
5 1/2% s.r. 1921	22	23	50,000	22	Sept	38	Feb	
Seaboard Air Line 6s.	55 1/2	53 1/2	120,000	53	Sept	56 1/2	Sept	
Sinclair ConOil 7 1/2% s.r.25	91 1/2	92 1/2	410,000	86 1/2	Aug	98	Apr	
Southern Ry 6% notes 1922	95 1/2	95 1/2	12,000	92	Aug	96	Jan	
Southwestern Bell Tel 7s'25	92 1/2	92 1/2	50,000	90	Aug	97 1/2	Apr	
Switzerland Govt 5 1/2% s. 1929	83	83 1/2	44,000	82 1/2	July	93	Jan	
Texas Co 7% notes r. 1923	98 1/2	98	51,000	97 1/2	June	99 1/2	May	
Union Tank Car eq 7s. 1930	97 1/2	97	115,000	96 1/2	Aug	98	Sept	
Western Elec conv 7s.r. 25	98 1/2	98	98 1/2	60,000	96 1/2	July	99 1/2	Apr

German Government and Municipal Bonds
(Dollars per 1,000 Marks)**Marks**

	15 1/2	13 1/2	16	485,000	13 1/2	Sept	28	June
Bremen 4s.r.	16	17	110,000	16	Sept	28	July	
4 1/2% s.r.	16	16	10,000	16	Sept	29 1/2	June	
Coblenz 4s.r.	17 1/2	17 1/2	100,000	17 1/2	Sept	29 1/2	July	
Dresden 4s.r.	16 1/2	16	45,000	10	Sept	27	June	
Frankfort 5s.r.	21 1/2	21 1/2	10,000	21 1/2	Sept	34	June	
German Govt 5s.r.	16	16	1,000	14	Sept	23 1/2	June	
Hamburg 4s.r.	14 1/2	16	25,000	14 1/2	Sept	28	June	
4 1/2% s.r.	15	17	419,000	15	Sept	27 1/2	June	
Leyipzig 4 1/2% s.r.	16	15	16 1/2	55,000	15	Sept	28 1/2	June
5s.r.	19	19	19	32,000	18	Sept	27 1/2	July
Munich 5s.r.	16 1/2	16 1/2	10,000	16 1/2	Sept	28	July	

* Odd lots. † No par value. ‡ Listed as a prospect. § Listed on the Stock Exchange this week, where additional transactions will be found. o New stock. # Unlisted. * When issued. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. z Ex-stock dividend. \$ Dollars per 1,000 lire, flat. & Correction.

CURRENT NOTICES

—Charles E. Brickley & Co. announce the formation of the New York Stock Exchange firm under that name consisting of Charles E. Brickley, former Harvard football star; J. Russell Butler, formerly with Paine, Webber & Co.; Warren Ackerman, formerly with Carlisle, Mellick & Co., and W. J. McGinn, a director of the Continental Equitable Title & Trust Co., Philadelphia. The offices of the firm are at 61 Broadway.

—“Canada as a Field for Investment” is the title of an interesting booklet just issued by Wood, Gundy & Co., 14 Wall St., New York, outlining the resources of the Dominion and giving interesting data regarding the provinces and cities offering opportunities for investment. Contained within the booklet are also complete statistics pertaining to the War and Victory Loan bonds of the Dominion.

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

All prices dollars per share.

Banks—N Y	Bid	Ask	Banks	Bid	Ask	Trust Co's	Bid	Ask
America*....	205	215	Industrial*....	200	215	American		
Amer. Exch.	260	270	Irving Nat of N Y	220	230	Bankers Trust	360	370
Atlantic	215	220	Liberty.....	380	895	Central Union	368	375
Battery Park....	185	200	Lincoln.....	440	440	Columbia	308	315
Bowery*....	450	450	Manhattan*....	205	215	Commercial	155	165
Broadway Cen....	150	160	Mech & Met....	313	320	Empire	300	
Bronx Boro*....	105	125	Mutual*....	490	490	Equitable Tr.	300	307
Bronx Nat*....	145	145	Nat American	140	155	Farm L & Tr.	370	380
Bryant Park*....	145	155	New Eng*....	190	200	Fidelity Inter.	200	210
Butch & Drov....	37	40	New York Co	135	135	Fulton	265	275
Cent Mercan....	200	210	New York	460	480	Guaranty Tr.	348	358
Chase*....	385	395	Pacific*....	160	160	Hudson	160	170
Chat & Phen....	270	280	Park*....	475	490	Law Tit & Tr.	135	145
Chelsea Exch*....	138	145	Public*....	310	325	Lincoln Trust	150	160
Chemical*....	550	560	Republic*....	325	325	Mercantile Tr.	225	235
City*....	305	312	Seaboard	630	650	Metropolitan	255	265
Coal & Iron....	250	250	Second*....	450	465	Mutual (Westchester) ...	105	125
Colonial*....	350	350	Tradesmen*....	200	200	N Y Life Ins. & Trust....	550	625
Columbia*....	180	190	United States*....	190	200	Title Gu & Tr.	308	315
Commerce*....	217	222	Wash H'ts*....	350	350	Manufacturers	395	405
Comm'l Ex*....	425	425	Yorkville*....	375	425	People's	810	830
Commonwealth*....	210	225	Brooklyn	140	155	Brooklyn	480	500
Continental*....	130	130	Coney Island*....	205	215	Hamilton	260	270
Corn Exch*....	330	340	First*....	180	180	Kings County	630	660
Cosmopolitan*....	110	125	Homestead*....	80	100	Manufacturers	195	205
Cuba (Bk of)*....	180	190	Mechanics*....	88	92	People's	270	285
East River*....	170	170	Montauk*....	85	100			
Fifth Avenue*....	900	925	Nassau*....	210	220			
Fifth*....	160	170	North Side*....	195	205			
First*....	900	915	People's*....	150	160			
Garfield*....	225	235	Ridgewood*....	200	200			
Gotham*....	200	210						
Greenwich*....	250	250						
Hanover*....	815	830						
Harriman*....	340	360						
Imp & Trad*....	510	520						

* Banks marked with (*) are State banks. † Sale at auction or at Stock Exchange this week. ‡ New stock. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

All prices dollars per share.

Alliance R'ly	Bid	Ask	Lawyers Mtge	Bid	Ask	Realty Assoc	Bid	Ask
Amer Surety	67	72	Mtge Bond	75	80	(Brooklyn)	98	108
Bond & M G	214	220	Nat Surety	204	209	U S Casualty	150	160
City Investing	58	63	N Y Title & Mortgage	110	120	U S Title Guar	75	85
Preferred	72	78				West & Bronx	165	175

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RAILROAD GROSS EARNINGS

The following table shows the gross earnings of various STEAM roads from which regular weekly or monthly returns can be obtained. The first two columns of figures give the gross earnings for the latest week or month, and the last two columns the earnings for the period from Jan. 1 to and including the latest week or month. The returns of the electric railways are brought together separately on a subsequent page.

ROADS.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.		ROADS.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.			
	Week or Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Week or Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.			
Alabama & Vicksb.	July	\$274,695	234,609	1,844,397	1,556,343	Missouri Kan & Tex	July	\$3,560,488	2,967,076	21,542,434	18,577,000
Ann Arbor	1st wk Sept	124,623	94,956	3,367,053	2,846,881	Mo K & T Ry of Tex	July	2,119,584	2,025,905	15,503,132	13,397,214
Atch Topeka & S Fe	July	18060954	14833620	117553022	93,250,466	Mo & North Arkan.	July	200,196	134,808	1,104,541	838,156
Gulf Colo & S Fe	July	1,962,931	1,740,137	14,043,838	10,596,970	Mo Okla & Gulf	June	173,507	107,328	1,132,964	610,441
Panhandle & S Fe	July	800,559	553,819	4,793,086	3,055,108	Missouri Pacific	July	9,262,785	7,741,548	62,838,291	49,781,248
Atlanta Birm & Atl.	July	514,184	449,934	3,299,359	2,853,192	Mobile & Ohio RR	2d wk Sept	393,544	316,453	12,473,118	10,341,314
Atlanta & West Pt.	July	237,590	215,621	1,720,288	1,555,968	Monongahela	July	329,386	320,725	1,968,024	1,896,510
Atlantic City	July	687,291	570,708	2,536,393	2,496,594	Monongahela Conn	July	254,661	135,039	1,767,829	967,708
Atlantic Coast Line	July	5,717,449	4,612,692	42,636,535	37,471,601	Montour	July	150,692	136,762	701,965	695,906
Atlantic & St Lawr.	June	225,783	362,617	1,473,958	2,130,206	Nashv Chatt & St L	July	2,059,014	1,677,520	13,854,230	10,738,919
Baltimore & Ohio	July	19072421	16320566	118859143	96,080,417	Nevada-Cal-Oregon	2d wk Sept	10,208	9,438	228,335	212,202
B & O Cn Term.	July	141,426	210,134	1,555,614	1,006,789	Nevada Northern	July	168,954	131,951	1,108,512	952,210
Bangor & Aroostook	July	436,291	319,126	3,649,292	2,900,855	Newburgh & Sou Sh	July	137,445	107,873	912,272	949,038
Bellefonte Central	June	9,510	7,858	47,983	44,845	New Orl Great Nor.	July	222,944	240,333	1,454,662	1,295,219
Belt Ry of Chicago	July	381,856	355,155	2,242,996	1,588,073	New Orl & Nor East	July	664,727	590,289	4,291,952	3,686,057
Belt Ry of Chicago	July	370,758	355,156	2,231,898	1,588,074	N O Texas & Mex.	July	251,228	171,489	1,446,129	1,060,637
Bessemer & L Erie	July	1,513,213	1,433,648	6,531,285	7,122,065	Beaum S L & W	July	196,259	114,035	1,187,722	718,349
Bingham & Garfield	July	177,315	85,925	1,080,371	699,221	Clev C C & St L	July	7,697,772	6,255,155	47,850,283	38,560,155
Birmingham South	July	51,559	42,713	343,268	347,452	New York Central	July	32579,679	28185,031	191946,709	169988,641
Bklyn E D Terminal	July	7,508,588	6,518,287	45,911,303	38,564,067	Ind Harbor Belt	July	754,671	583,672	4,420,237	3,585,378
Buff Rock & Pittsb.	2d wk Sept	569,692	350,603	14,898,619	10,366,395	Lake Erie & West	July	1,115,311	792,568	6,098,296	5,222,362
Buffalo & Susq.	July	244,006	224,345	1,587,878	1,231,096	Michigan Central	July	7,873,446	6,654,232	46,257,451	41,737,700
Canadian Nat Rys.	2d wk Sept	2,372,906	2,069,675	68,522,404	61,557,343	Olev C C & St L	July	7,697,772	6,255,155	47,850,283	38,560,155
Canadian Pacific	2d wk Sept	4,258,000	3,763,000	132729000	111320000	Cincinnati North	July	291,306	244,912	1,858,820	1,654,383
Can Pac Lines in Me	July	156,354	131,291	1,727,731	1,703,389	Pitts & Lake Erie	July	2,398,130	2,465,194	15,254,075	16,203,307
Caro Clinch & Ohio	July	566,966	541,427	3,846,751	3,306,195	Tol & Ohio Cent.	July	1,117,140	928,985	6,249,753	4,899,442
Central of Georgia	July	2,289,048	1,930,223	14,528,772	12,034,783	Kanawha & Mich	July	465,968	392,592	2,734,454	2,368,463
Central RR of N J	July	4,997,796	4,352,061	25,874,136	24,549,467	N Y Chic & St Louis	July	2,520,280	1,804,503	14,760,916	13,635,027
Cent New England	July	676,505	594,330	3,537,064	3,651,730	N Y N H & Hart.	July	11011890	9,612,541	66,416,828	57,147,715
Central Vermont	July	624,654	532,575	3,644,828	3,162,567	N Y Ont & Western	July	1,538,190	1,369,302	6,634,127	5,979,368
Charleston & W Car	July	296,970	220,526	1,996,586	1,899,008	N Y Susq & West.	July	398,781	336,527	2,415,794	2,171,350
C & O Lines of Ind.	July	7,259,357	6,665,251	46,145,621	41,443,383	Norfolk Southern	July	620,032	518,522	4,484,634	3,499,748
Chicago & Alton	July	2,795,250	2,220,875	15,969,719	14,301,866	Norfolk & Western	July	7,231,136	6,385,269	43,928,134	41,744,065
Chic Burl & Quincy	July	14720003	13063886	98,638,678	81,553,470	Northern Alabama	July	125,646	74,365	871,508	633,157
Chicago & East Ill.	July	2,161,309	2,154,410	15,804,184	13,664,945	Northern Pacific	July	8,676,446	8,679,735	58,950,420	54,249,960
Chicago Great West	July	1,979,580	1,857,564	12,950,981	11,669,630	Minn & Internat.	July	100,442	93,563	742,631	636,113
Chic Ind & Louisv.	July	1,375,040	1,052,074	8,359,996	6,656,402	Northwestern Pacific	July	814,137	694,787	4,175,392	3,436,286
Chicago Junction	July	280,123	235,130	1,780,581	2,013,876	Oahu Ry & Land Co	July	249,561	220,298	1,059,573	917,531
Chic Milw & St Paul	July	15083931	12617449	91,084,990	81,710,902	Pacific Coast	July	405,304	378,219		
Chic & North West	July	14081128	13321598	86,940,834	75,871,921	Pennsy RR & Co.	July	51209820	44534948	285459916	269003472
Chic Peoria & St L.	July	241,845	136,421	1,411,152	905,171	Balt Ches & Atl.	July	179,201	174,428	806,132	830,066
Chic R I & Pacific	July	11897837	9,847,273	74,018,832	58,930,131	Long Island	July	3,001,281	2,744,891	13,667,891	14,154,454
Chic R I & Gulf	July	578,356	374,592	3,717,820	2,551,097	Mary Del & Va.	July	143,045	156,635	643,860	716,662
Chic St P M & Om.	July	2,559,874	2,352,012	17,314,170	14,992,392	Tol Peor & West.	July	159,890	126,455	1,081,392	912,019
Chic Terre H & S E	July	455,867	339,193	2,927,429	2,186,489	W Jersey & Seash.	July	1,690,919	1,372,040	6,878,710	6,319,190
Cinc Ind & Western	July	392,715	266,853	3,428,752	1,647,857	Pitts C C & St L.	June	8,204,964	7,135,402	40,961,753	35,889,446
Cin N O & Tex Pac.	July	1,875,614	1,168,391	11,224,056	9,472,090	Pere Marquette	July	3,803,886	3,061,499	21,202,353	18,699,575
Colo & Southern	2d wk Sept	654,334	571,094	19,926,299	17,368,587	Perkiomen	July	97,713	101,416	654,387	612,608
Ft W & Den City	July	1,101,355	977,489	6,814,016	5,967,404	Phila Beth & N E	July	118,121	60,245	733,399	474,944
Trin & Brazos Val	July	135,238	98,458	1,000,034	686,022	Phila & Reading	July	6,907,626	6,602,516	48,189,538	40,252,120
Colo & Wyoming	July	88,959	84,031	540,826	653,418	Pitts Shaw & North	July	142,314	94,111	906,670	630,084
Copper Range	July	65,995	89,606	491,400	572,065	Pitts & West Va.	July	122,810	112,569	798,643	600,686
Cuba Railroad	June	1,268,300	1,097,478	7,826,971	7,269,821	Port Reading	July	108,665	105,381	1,134,724	1,457,128
Camaguey & Nuev	June	175,454	143,430	1,891,482	1,644,682	Quincy Om & K C	July	97,327	87,973	728,812	591,946
Delaware & Hudson	July	4,055,981	3,253,727	22,170,928	21,161,854	Rich Fred & Potom.	July	912,958	1,118,388	4,453,246	4,749,701
Del Lack & West	July	7,038,976	6,342,043	40,201,807	40,504,366	Rutland	July	489,273	420,696	3,084,524	2,622,129
Denv & Rio Grande	July	7,442,870	6,860,669	20,271,758	16,938,957	St Jos & Grand Isl'd	July	241,492	246,376	1,762,638	1,643,165
Denver & Salt Lake	July	273,455	296,924	1,431,165	1,499,909	St Louis-San Fran.	July	7,404,411	6,751,175	49,927,685	42,231,843
Detroit & Mackinac	July	180,848	161,252	1,062,282	881,205	St L S F of Texas	June	130,942	126,904	918,211	668,086
Detroit Tol & Iront.	July	427,333	313,390	2,669,219	2,029,978	St Louis S W Ry Sys	2d wk Sept	715,777	483,317	20,409,938	13,452,074
Det & Tol Shore L.	July	186,042	210,075	1,033,148	1,120,911	St Louis Southwes	July	1,797,331	1,030,173	11,501,498	7,158,918
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Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the first week of September. The table covers 14 roads and shows 21.86% increase in the aggregate over the same week last year.

Second Week of September.	1920.	1919.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh	569,692	350,603	219,089	-----
Canadian National Rys.	2,372,906	2,069,675	303,231	-----
Canadian Pacific	4,258,000	3,763,000	495,000	-----
Colorado & Southern	654,334	571,094	83,240	-----
Grand Trunk of Canada	2,680,720	2,178,855	501,865	-----
Grand Trunk Western	-----	-----	-----	-----
Detroit Grand Haven & Mil	-----	-----	-----	-----
Canada Atlantic	393,544	316,453	77,091	-----
Mobile & Ohio	10,208	9,438	770	-----
Nevada-California-Oregon	715,777	483,317	232,460	-----
St Louis Southwestern	4,411,400	3,460,784	950,616	-----
Southern Railway	787,552	771,199	16,353	-----
Texas & Pacific	515,159	278,718	236,441	-----
Total (14 roads)	17,369,292	14,253,136	3,116,156	-----
Net increase (21.86%)	-----	-----	-----	-----

Net Earnings Monthly to Latest Dates.—The table following shows the gross and net earnings with charges and surplus of STEAM railroad and industrial companies reported this week:

Roads.	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Copper Range b	July	65,995	89,606	def 12,133
Jan 1 to July 31		491,400	572,065	def 69,872
Lake Sup & Ishpeming b	July	288,715	219,637	192,456
Jan 1 to July 31		811,796	496,305	356,900
Penn RR Co. b	July	51,209,820	44,534,948	3,057,245
Jan 1 to July 31		285459916	269003472df20739082	21,790,812

ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITY COS.

Name of Road or Company.	Latest Gross Earnings.			Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
	Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Adirondack El Pow Co	June	\$ 177,464	\$ 123,891	\$ 1,051,433	\$ 807,945
Alabama Power Co.	July	337,407	220,358	3,655,953	2,997,499
Atlantic Shore Ry.	July	29,161	21,891	119,582	93,030
Bangor Ry & Electric	June	100,839	84,769	577,319	498,693
Barcelona Trac L & P	July	254,220	201,228	1,2923,755	9,761,023
Baton Rouge Elec Co	July	38,696	31,239	266,279	203,788
Blackstone V G & El	July	259,808	208,813	1,845,768	1,523,053
Brazilian Trac, L & P	July	11745000	10070000	72,785,000	64,033,000
Bklyn Rap Tran Sys	April	872,377	-----	3,273,762	-----
aBklyn City RR	April	6,876	790,725	27,032	2,937,921
aBklyn Hts RR	April	197,301	157,395	726,510	573,293
Coney Isl & Bklyn	April	5,994	4,681	18,939	14,376
Nassau Electric	April	526,958	452,196	1,977,063	1,660,084
South Brooklyn	April	57,890	62,637	274,991	231,651
New York Consol	April	1776,021	1364,757	6,861,787	5,093,264
Bklyn Qu Co & Sub	April	156,328	126,732	574,482	454,899
Cape Breton Elec Co	July	54,765	48,749	340,604	326,162
Cent Miss V El Prop.	June	39,453	34,523	237,359	199,257
Chattanooga Ry & Lt	June	107,218	82,373	648,517	472,163
Cities Service Co.	July	2117,919	1583,722	14,861,219	12,346,540
Citizens Traction Co.	July	91,374	69,290	-----	-----
Cleve Painesv & East	July	86,785	73,898	449,039	380,548
eColumbia Gas & Elec	August	1023,278	804,071	9,503,915	7,709,114
Columbus (Ga) El Co	July	132,185	101,555	915,890	712,071
Com'wth P, Ry & Lt	July	2546,612	2039,149	17,550,990	14,358,823
Connecticut Power Co	July	112,296	99,400	830,097	696,697
Consum Pow (Mich)	July	1128,462	872,076	7,934,356	6,298,815
Cumb Co (Me) P & L	June	249,264	221,793	1,429,769	1,244,238
Dayton Pow & Light	August	280,027	208,924	3,248,169	1,823,550
d Detroit Edison	August	1689,829	1228,073	13,672,949	10,295,895
Duluth-Superior Trac	August	159,968	172,060	1,290,807	1,275,293
Duquesne Lt Cosubsid light & power cos	July	1173,651	893,578	8,408,948	6,960,866
East St Louis & Sub	June	316,517	235,006	1,977,956	1,556,348
East Sh G & E Subsid	July	30,311	22,438	-----	-----
Eastern Penn Ry Co	July	151,891	129,238	1,813,470	1,436,848
Eastern Texas Elec	July	138,389	118,976	897,782	769,778
Edison El of Brockton	July	92,449	79,947	769,431	609,328
eElec Light & Pow Co	July	31,774	23,158	194,744	155,267
e El Paso Electric Co.	July	156,328	123,184	1,067,794	874,054
Equitable Coke Co.	June	123,916	107,025	457,893	480,877
Erie Ltc Co & Subsid	July	90,065	58,659	-----	-----
Fall River Gas Works	July	74,347	64,726	487,070	405,979
Federal Light & Trac	June	347,735	297,350	2,258,288	1,912,108
Fort Worth Pow & Lt	July	242,370	104,719	1,254,242	712,085
Galv-Hous Elec Co.	July	337,937	285,020	2,098,098	1,754,902
Georgia Lt, P & Rys	June	828,144	691,751	1,589,326	1,329,461
Great Nor Pow Co.	June	179,549	131,650	951,118	661,195
e Great West Pow Sys	July	592,087	451,535	2,929,272	2,529,603
Harrisburg Railways	June	146,244	128,634	861,948	775,573
Havana El Ry, L & P	May	946,301	740,304	3,576,815	2,700,815
Haverhill Gas Lt Co	July	35,507	27,894	255,084	205,140
Honolulu R T & Land	July	76,064	63,422	345,591	301,204
Houghton Co El Co	July	37,453	31,141	289,114	250,608
Houghton Co Trac Co	July	28,010	24,327	189,301	173,238
Hudson & Manhattan	April	309,406	516,722	1,983,233	2,021,637
Hunting'n Dev & Gas	July	117,289	74,664	1,399,811	977,482
d Illinois Traction	July	1616,926	1339,813	11,605,338	19,595,911
Interboro Rap Tran	April	4599,225	3996,886	18,388,849	12,877,239
Kansas Gas & Elec Co	July	233,289	181,116	1,904,527	1,510,300
Keokuk Electric Co.	July	30,222	25,891	200,655	176,651
Keystone Teleph Co.	August	143,919	139,631	1,149,420	1,061,022
Key West Electric Co	July	21,046	19,006	149,667	131,995
Lake Shore Elec Ry	June	289,351	226,427	1,583,424	1,190,196
Long Island Electric	April	25,261	17,786	82,819	63,812
Louisville Railway	June	347,818	346,565	2,039,798	2,014,593
Lowell Electric Corp.	July	98,622	73,255	705,536	557,916
Manhattan & Queens	April	22,283	21,737	75,926	80,601
Manhat Bdge 3c Line	April	23,266	13,530	85,708	50,447
cMil El Ry & Lt Co	July	1550,611	1161,610	10,453,075	8,232,911
Miss River Power Co.	July	233,048	196,693	1,516,018	1,305,543
Nashville Ry & Light	June	307,142	256,521	1,847,681	1,577,844
Nebraska Power Co.	July	221,549	174,154	-----	-----
Nevada-Calif El Corp	July	301,908	269,519	1,804,739	1,500,976
New England Power	June	486,254	297,766	2,760,062	1,816,938
Newp N & H Ry, G & E	July	276,246	262,538	1,557,451	1,584,383
New York Dock Co.	July	489,576	449,796	3,224,431	3,031,959
N Y & Long Island	April	43,018	47,557	137,174	165,410
N Y & North Shore	April	5,767	12,442	21,120	45,752
N Y & Queens County	April	97,131	86,194	330,687	319,990
b N Y Railways	April	718,833	-----	2,511,851	4,052,405
b Eighth Avenue	April	85,345	1090,708	268,937	41,602
b Ninth Avenue	April	34,581	-----	88,905	31,162
Nor Caro Pub Ser Co	June	82,095	66,510	937,132	770,687
Northern Ohio Elec	July	903,028	803,251	6,562,238	5,116,187
North Texas Electric	July	334,754	278,076	2,245,971	1,836,644
Ocean Electric (L I)	April	12,798	9,578	41,602	31,162

Name of Road or Company.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
	Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.
Pacific Power & Light	July	\$ 214,682	\$ 185,911	-----
Paducah El Co & Sub	July	39,292	-----	-----
Penn Cent Lt&P&Sub	July	176,636	129,029	-----
Philadelphia Oil Co.	July	107,563	85,022	1,049,143
Phila & Reading	July	6907,627	6602,517	48,189,539
Phila & Western	July	78,069	69,130	511,981
Phila Rap Transit Co	August	299,199	291,816	24,760,738
Portland Gas & Coke	July	200,473	166,994	1,434,011
Port(Ore) Ry, L & P Co	May	741,360	7	

<i>Industrial Cos. (Continued)</i>		<i>Page.</i>	<i>Industrial Cos. (Concl.)</i>		<i>Page.</i>
American Hide & Leather Co.	984		Lake Superior Corp.	1079	
American-La France Fire Engine Co.	985		Laurentide Co.	1188	
American Public Utilities Co.	1080		Loft, Inc.	1188	
American Ship & Commerce Corp.	892		Manhattan Electrical Supply Co.	1088	
Atlantic Refining Co.	898		Matheson Alkali Works	1188	
Baldwin Co. (Pianos)	986		Middle States Oil Corp.	1088	
Bayuk Brothers Inc.	1185		Midwest Engine Co.	1188	
Billings & Spencer Co.	1186		Motor Wheel Corp.	1180	
Brier Hill Steel Co.	988		Mulline Body Corp.	1088, 1180	
Brighton Milk	987		N. Y. & Honduras Rosario Min. Co.	902	
Brooklyn Edison Co.	1186		New York Shipbuilding Corp.	1081	
Butte & Superior Mining Co.	1186		New York Telephone Co.	995	
California Petroleum Corp.	893		North & Judd Mfg. Co.	994	
Canadian Locomotive Co. Ltd.	1186		Nunamay Co.	902	
Carib Syndicate	894		Orpheum Circuit Inc.	1079	
Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co.	899		Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	995	
Cities Service Co.	1186		Pathé Frères Phonograph Co.	1188	
Continental Candy Corp.	899		Pennock Oil Co.	902	
Coden & Co.	1086, 1180		Pittsburgh Oil & Gas Co.	1089	
Crex Carpet Co.	1182		Prairie Oil & Gas Co.	1089	
Cumberland County Pow. & Lt. Co.	1187		St. Joseph Lead Co.	902, 1079	
Detroit Edison Co.	899		Saginaw Pulp & Power Co.	1080	
Famous Players Lasky Corp.	899		Seacrest Corp. General	1190	
Farr Alpaca Co.	993		Shattuck Arizona Copper Co.	902	
Fischer Body Corp.	1087		Sierra Pacific Electric Co.	1089	
General American Tank Car Co.	1187		Spanish Riv. Pulp & Paper Co.	1089, 1181	
General Motors Corp.	1078		Standard Parts Co.	894, 995	
General Petroleum Corp.	985		Standard Tank Car Co.	1089	
Godchaux Sugars Inc.	1087, 1181		Stromberg Carburetor Co. of Amer.	903	
Great Western Power Co.	899		Superior Oil Corp.	1090	
Habirshaw Electric Cable Co.	900		Torington Co.	1181	
Hartford Electric Light Co.	993		Union Oil Co. of Delaware	988	
Hupp Motor Car Corp.	985		United Drug Co.	1090	
Hydraulic Steel Co.	1087		United Paperboard Co., Inc.	893	
Indian Refining Co., Inc.	1080, 1088		United States Glass Co.	903, 987	
International Agricultural Corp.	1188		U. S. Light & Heat Corp.	1079	
International Cement Corp.	901, 984		U. S. Rubber Co.	1090	
Island Oil & Transport Corp.	994		Virginia Carolina Chemical Co.	986	
Kentucky & W. Va. Power Co. Inc.	1188		White Eagle Oil & Refining Co.	1090	

Missouri Kansas & Texas Lines

(Report for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

Receiver C. E. Schaff, St. Louis, Aug. 2, wrote in sub:

Lines Included.—The receiver submits the following report covering the operations of the following lines, aggregating on Dec. 31 1919, 3,863.35 miles, viz.:

Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway 1,738.63
The Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway of Texas 1,796.04

The Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Co. 328.68

Results for the Year.—These show (including U. S. RR. Administration operations but excluding intercorporate items excepting freight charges on company material,) as follows:

	Increase
Operating revenues were \$61,825,376, being an inc. of	\$7,686,577 or 14%
Operating expenses were \$56,986,895, or an increase of	9,657,862 or 20%
Taxes were \$2,031,869, or an increase of	260,336 or 15%
Oper. income, taxes deducted, was \$2,806,612, dec.	2,231,621 or 44%
Miscellaneous income was \$451,838, or an increase of	99,276 or 28%
Rentals and other payments were \$1,684,291, or an increase of	347,355 or 26%
Income for year, before deduction for interest, was \$1,574,159, or a decrease of	2,479,699 or 61%
Interest accrued (428% of income for the year) was \$6,736,793, or a decrease of	24,489 or 4%
Net loss for the year	-\$5,162,635

INTEREST AND SINKING FUNDS MATURED DURING RECEIVERSHIP BUT NOT PAID DEC. 31 1919.

(a) Interest Deferred, Aggregating \$1,056,615—

M. K. & T. 1st M. Dec. 1 1919 \$799,990| Boonv. Bdg. 1st M. Nov. 1 1919 \$18,200
M. K. & Ok. 1st M. Nov. 1 1919 136,700 Dallas & W. 1st M. Nov. 1 1919 33,500
K. C. & Pac. 1st M. Aug. 1 1919 50,000 W. F. & So. 1st M. July 1 1919 18,225

(b) Interest Defaulted, Aggregating \$15,967,185—

Coupons Maturing.		
Mo. K. & T. Ry. Co. 2d M. bds. Feb. 1 1916, to Aug. 1 1919	\$3,200,000	
do Genl. M. bonds Jan. 1 1916, to July 1 1919	1,857,780	
do 1st and Ref. M. bonds Mar. 1 1916, to Sept. 1 1919	1,598,720	
do 1st M. Ext. bonds Nov. 1 1915, to Nov. 1 1919	731,925	
do St. L. Div. 1st M. Ref. Apr. 1 1916, to Oct. 1 1919	307,840	
do 2-Yr. Gold Notes Ext. Nov. 1 1915, to Nov. 1 1919	5,130,000	
Mo. K. & East Ry. Co. 1st M. bds. Oct. 1 1916, to Oct. 1 1919	700,000	
do 2d M. bonds Apr. 1 1916, to Oct. 1 1919	11,600	
Tex. & Okla. RR. Co. 1st M. bds. Mar. 1 1916, to Sept. 1 1919	469,400	
S. W. Coal & Imp. Co. 1st M. bds. Jan. 1 1916, to July 1 1919	178,320	
M. K. & T. Ry. of Tex. 1st M. bds. Sept. 1 1916, to Sept. 1 1919	788,375	
Sherman, Shreveport, & Sou. Ry. Co. 1st M. bonds Dec. 1 1915, to Dec. 1 1919	380,025	
Wichita Falls & N. W. Ry. Co. 1st M. bonds July 1 1918, to July 1 1919	157,350	
do 1st & Ref. M. bonds July 1 1917, to July 1 1919	375,000	
do 1st Lien Coll. Tr. bonds July 1 1918, to July 1 1919	62,850	

(c) Sinking Funds Deferred—

Boonville RR. Br. Co. 1st M. Nov. 1 1919 13,686
(d) Sinking Funds Defaulted, Aggregating \$2,337,107—Mo. K. & T. Ry. Co. Genl. M. Jan. 1 1916, to July 1 1919 2,094,820
Southw. Coal & Imp. Co. 1st M. Jan. 1 1916, to July 1 1919 154,087Wichita Falls & Northw. Ry. 1st M. July 1 1918, to July 1 1919 34,500
do 1st Lien Coll. Tr. M. July 1 1917, to July 1 1919 22,500

Wichita Falls & Southern Ry. Co. 1st M. Jan. 1 1916, to July 1 1919 31,200

Funded Debt.—The changes in funded debt in hands of public in 1919 show a net decrease of \$770,980 as follows:

Decrease
Boonville RR. Bridge Co. First Mtge. 4% bonds \$13,000
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. 10-Year 5% Equipment Notes of 1913 190,000
M. K. & T. Ry. Amer. Car & Foundry Equip. Purch. Agreement 599,980
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. of Texas 10-Year Equip. notes, Series A, 5% Serial of 1914 68,000S. A. B. & T. Ry. Co. 1st M. 3-Year 6% notes due 1919 1,750,000
Increase

S. A. B. & T. Ry. Co. 1st M. 5-Year 6% notes due 1924 1,850,000

Rate of Return on Property Investment.—The per cent of income from transportation operations on property investment has been as follows:

1910. 1911. 1912. 1913. 1914. 1915. 1916. 1917. 1918. 1919.
3.05 2.92 3.56 3.02 3.27 3.10 2.34 3.40 2.20 2.85

The property investment in 1919 was \$243,045,363 [against \$205,991,512 in 1910, and \$240,355,951 in 1918] and the aforesaid percentage for that year is calculated, as in 1918, on the basis of "corporate income before deduction of interest," such income amounting to \$6,935,411 in 1919 and \$5,292,241 in 1918.

Rolling Stock.—During the year, expenditures were made for new equipment amounting to \$115,878, and improvements to existing equipment amounting to \$333,482. The value of equipment retired during the year was \$227,840 leaving a net increase of \$221,521 in equipment owned.

Federal Compensation.—Negotiations are still pending with the Director-General for just compensation to be paid for use by the U. S. RR. Administration of the several railways comprising the system.

The application of the receiver has resulted in the Director-General agreeing to allow as compensation in excess of the standard return, to the Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway, \$688,972 and to the Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway of Texas, \$98,700, and by authority of the courts the receiver has accepted these offers.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission still has under investigation the average net railway operating income for the three years ended June 30 1917, for each of the three railways, and, subject to some slight changes which they may make, the annual compensation to be paid by the Director-General will be as follows:

Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. \$6,542,803

The Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. of Texas 720,473

Wichita Falls & Northwestern Ry. 145,245

Funds Received from U. S. RR. Administration.—Advance payments on account of compensation have been made by the Director-General to the

receiver of the M. K. & T. Ry. sufficient to continue the payment for the year of all equipment trust obligations and interest on mortgages, which, under authority of the court, were being paid prior to Federal control.

Funds have also been furnished by the Director-General to the receiver of the Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. of Texas as loans, secured by pledges of corresponding amounts of receiver's certificates, heretofore authorized by the court, sufficient to pay equipment trust obligations and interest, which, by authority of the court were being paid prior to Federal control.

End of Federal Control.—Federal operation of the lines ceased as of midnight Feb. 29 1920, but for the six months beginning March 1 1920, was deemed advisable to accept the proffered guaranty for each of the three lines, of a fixed amount equal to one half of the annual amount estimated as just compensation under the Federal contract.

COMMODITIES CARRIED FOR YEAR ENDED DEC. 31.

(All in tons.)	Agriculture.	Animals.	Mines.	Forests.	M'fac., &c.
1919	2,463,314	719,028	4,837,662	975,020	4,313,923
1918	2,685,712	704,985	4,510,078	897,862	4,077,230
1917	2,329,886	693,115	4,624,013	944,994	4,218,965
1916	2,452,768	552,106	4,531,497	842,132	2,747,351
1915	2,380,710	447,520	4,378,935	825,936	2,184,847

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Average miles operated	3,839	3,861	3,866	3,865
Passengers carried	8,322,218	6,051,075	6,777,365	6,604,249
Pass. carried one mile	626,535,040	561,969,428	467,763,812	413,950,000
Rev. pass. per mile	2.67 cts.	2.62 cts.	2.39 cts.	2.23 cts.
Revenue tons carried	13,308,947	12,875,867	12,884,973	11,125,854
do 1 mile (000s omit)	2,978,281	3,263,766	2,986,316	2,413,801
Revenue per ton of mile	1.39 cts.	1.10 cts.	0.97 cts.	1.03 cts.
Revenue per mile of road	\$16,106	\$14,022	\$11,211	\$9,504

CONSOLIDATED FED. AND CORP. INCOME ACCOUNT FOR 1919 AND 1918.

COMPARED WITH CORPORATE ACCOUNT FOR PRIOR YEARS.

Operating Revenues—

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Freight traffic	\$41,283,106	\$35,754,940	\$29,027,903	\$24,795,720
Passenger traffic	16,709,711	14,715,178	11,160,922	9,215,627
Mail	715,239	765,503	796,848	783,676
Express	1,609,690	1,623,472	1,239,934	1,055,446
Miscellaneous	1,507,631	1,279,705	1,118,543	883,214

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in what is commonly known as the Bull Bayou field, located on the Natchitoches Branch in the vicinity of Gahagan, Louisiana.

Prospecting is being carried out at practically all points along the Fort Worth, Eastern and Rio Grande Divisions, which is accompanied by heavy passenger travel and the movement of supplies for development purposes.

Funded Debt.—\$310,000, maturing equipment obligations were paid off.

Road and Equipment.—Additions and betterments, aggregating \$3,454,986, were made in 1919 and charged to income and carried to cost of road and equipment, except the unmatured payments on the 19 new locomotives, which are a part of the equipment in Car Trust Series "EE." [Road expenditures aggregated \$2,112,945, notably: Grading, \$246,794; ties, \$82,189; rails, \$176,265; other track material, \$156,592; ballast, \$275,180; track laying and surfacing, \$193,099; stations and office buildings, \$152,718; water stations, \$164,516; shops and enginehouses, \$238,178; shop machinery, \$187,618. Equipment expenditures aggregated (net), \$1,342,041, viz.: (a) Purchased new, 12 Santa Fe type and 7 Pacific type locomotives, \$974,642; (b) built or rebuilt in shops, 229 box and other cars, \$417,029; (c) miscellaneous, \$305,505; total, \$1,697,176; less equipment sold or destroyed, \$55,135; balance, \$1,642,041.—Ed.]

Very large expenditures were made during the year on account of the rodded, track, and other facilities. Among the leading items were: (a) Reconstructing new machine shop, Marshall, \$267,519; (b) applying gravel ballast, \$320,309; industry tracks and sidings principally around Ranger, \$361,870. During the year 35.64 miles of additional yard and side tracks were constructed, of which 16.64 miles were industry and 19.0 additional yard and passing tracks; new gravel was applied to 125 miles of track, of which 57 miles was on joint track between Whitesboro and Fort Worth, and 68 miles on Eastern Division. There was also 16 miles of sand ballast applied on Louisiana Division. Heavier rail was laid on 66 miles of the Fort Worth Division, of which 31 miles was on joint track between Whitesboro and Fort Worth; 17 miles of the Eastern Division was also relayed with heavier rail.

Equipment.—The twelve Santa Fe type freight engines and the seven Pacific type passenger engines purchased under agreement of conditional sale, Series "EE," dated Feb. 1 1917, were received and placed in service during the first half of the year. The 11 light Mikado freight locomotives assigned by the Administration and placed in service during 1918 were coal burning engines. These were replaced by the Administration during the year with oil burning engines of the same type. The 14 standard six-wheel switch engines allocated by the Administration were also received and placed in service during the year.

Arrangements were made by which the Railroad Administration would purchase for the account of the company 18 Santa Fe type freight engines and seven Pacific type passenger engines of Texas & Pacific design, which engines were received and placed in service in Dec. 1919, and early in 1920. Safety appliances required by law were applied to 92 freight train and work cars, and 276 freight train and work cars received improved draft gear. Nine locomotives were equipped for superheat; 174 locomotives were changed from coal to oil burners, and the efficiency of various other locomotives was greatly increased by the application of various modern devices. 27 locomotives of small tractive power were condemned and written off during the year.

Steel Rolling Stock.—The passenger train equipment of the company has not been sufficient to meet its requirements, and there has been purchased from the Pullman Company for delivery during 1920 the following all steel passenger equipment: 50 coaches; 12 baggage and express cars; 5 dining cars; 2 baggage and mail cars.

Upon the delivery of this equipment all of the principal main line trains of the company will be provided with steel equipment, which will materially improve the character of the passenger train service. [As to equipment trusts, &c., see V. 110, p. 971; V. 111, p. 794.]

Oil for Fuel.—During the past three years the principal fuel used in locomotives on the Eastern Division has been oil. Effective Oct. 1 1919, a new contract was made under which oil will be furnished for a period of three years, as fuel for all locomotive equipment. This required the conversion of a large number of engines from coal to oil burners; the installation of fuel oil handling facilities and the purchase of certain tank car equipment needed to transport the oil. The major portion of this work had been completed by Dec. 31 1919.

Guaranty.—The receivers accepted the guarantee as to income provided by the Transportation Act of 1920, which extends through the immediate period of readjustment. This guarantee provides for a continuation of the Standard Return for the six months ending Aug. 31 1920, to be computed in accordance with the Act of March 1 1918.

AMOUNTS OF COMMODITIES CARRIED.

	Forest.	Animal.	Agricultural.	Mfg., &c.	Mines.
1919-tons.	1,658,980	416,745	2,182,959	3,233,945	1,878,521
1918-	1,409,155	475,227	2,429,317	2,543,928	1,306,125
1917-	1,297,592	504,489	2,091,630	2,220,995	1,500,584
1916-	1,213,109	419,693	2,137,854	2,289,535	1,564,777

STATISTICS OF OPERATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Miles operated-----	1,947	1,947	1,947	1,947
Operations-----				
Passengers carried-----	5,064,193	3,373,235	3,428,487	3,049,105
Pass. carried one mile-----	386,447,738	277,394,000	254,500,000	213,052,000
Rate per pass. per mile-----	2.76 cts.	2.69 cts.	2.46 cts.	2.35 cts.
Freight (tons)-----	9,371,150	8,163,752	7,615,490	7,624,941
Tons one mile (000)-----	1,659,727	1,477,965	1,480,535	1,521,019
Av. rate per ton per mile-----	1.42 cts.	1.22 cts.	1.01 cts.	0.94 cts.
Av. train-load (revenue)-----	297	363	312	298

FEDERAL INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Freight-----	\$23,575,837	\$17,996,085	\$14,933,635
Passenger-----	10,676,693	7,449,816	6,252,827
Mail-----	315,838	340,117	382,234
Express-----	762,209	853,444	606,872
Miscellaneous-----	153,148	156,980	162,587
Incidental, &c.-----	728,714	498,390	375,852

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Total operating expenses-----	\$36,212,438	\$27,294,833	\$22,714,007
Revenue per mile operated-----	18,603	\$14,022	\$11,669
Operating Expenses-----			
Maintenance of way, &c.-----	\$5,118,022	\$3,610,862	\$2,036,463
Maintenance of equipment-----	7,716,051	5,130,583	2,999,166
Traffic expenses-----	305,174	294,428	477,450
Transportation expenses-----	15,827,619	11,894,810	9,022,788
General expenses-----	865,945	765,244	722,082
Transportation for investment-----	Cr. 23,091	Cr. 13,542	Cr. 29,365
Miscellaneous operations-----	327,852	217,995	161,671

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Total operating expenses-----	\$30,137,572	\$21,900,380	\$15,389,755
Net earnings-----	\$6,074,865	\$5,394,453	\$7,324,252
Tax accruals, &c.-----	1,230,026	1,105,482	1,249,364

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Operating income-----	\$4,844,839	\$4,288,970	\$6,074,888
Non-operating income-----	931,851	1,092,784	796,899
Gross income-----	\$5,776,691	\$5,381,754	\$6,871,787
Hire of equipment-----	626,361	212,891	108,140
Rentals, &c.-----	1,301,086	873,536	731,112

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Net income-----	\$3,849,245	\$4,295,327	\$6,032,535
CORPORATE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.			
1919.	1918.	1917.	

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Operating income-----	\$4,107,432	\$4,107,432	\$6,074,888
U. S. Government standard return-----	574,317	442,106	796,899

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Gross corporate income-----	\$4,681,749	\$4,549,538	\$6,871,787
Deductions-----			
Accrued bond interest-----	\$1,578,180	\$1,539,220	\$1,601,639
Other interest-----	292,624	211,273	194,824
Rentals, &c.-----			731,112
Hire of equipment-----			108,140
Miscellaneous-----	920,064	1,063,474	

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Total deductions-----	\$2,790,868	\$2,867,967	\$2,635,715
Net corporate income-----	\$1,890,881	\$1,681,571	\$4,236,072
Improvements-----	2,823,250	1,437,285	2,222,466
Equipment obligations paid-----		217,576	342,945

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Balance, sur. or def.-----	def.\$932,369	sur.\$26,710	sr.\$1,670,661

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Road & equip't. 117,700,368	114,245,382	114,245,382	Capital stock	38,763,810
Sinking funds-----	24,000	24,000	Equip. tr. oblig's	1,419,000
Depos. in lieu of mtged. prop.-----	5,221	5,221	1st M. 5% bonds	25,000,000
Misc.phys.prop.-----	9,661	4,625	mtge. 5% bds.	5,683,000
Inv. in affil. cos.-----			2d M. inc. bonds	25,000,000
Stocks-----	1,167,980	1,167,980	Loans&bills pay.	4,038,670
Notes-----	871,871	871,871	Traffic, &c., bal.	2,537
Advances-----	30,000	30,000	deb.1,449	
Other investm'ts-----	70,292	73,307	Accts' & wages	93,597
Cash-----	484,808	138,298	5	1,811
Special deposits-----	202,731	1,229,383	Interest matured	1,002,258
Misc. acc'ts rec.-----	266,273	556,007	Fund. debt mar.	811,652
Int. & divs. rec.-----	8,682	8,682	Unmat. int. accr.	29,005
Rents, U. S.-----			Deferred liability	11,976,152
Government-----	6,239,940	4,107,432	Tax liability	8,286,485
Work'g fund adv-----	9,289	9,164	Accrued deprec.	145,833
Deferred assets-----	10,013,651	8,564,093	Oth. unadj. cred.	3,198,776
Disc. on fund dt.-----	26,011	34,528	Add'n's to prop.	83,238
Oth.				

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Road & equipm't.	33,090,042	31,863,012	Stock, Common	5,846,300
Inv. in affil. cos.			Stock, Preferred	3,701,400
Stock	8,201,303	8,201,203	Bonds (see "Ry. & Ind." Section)	8,272,000
Bonds	2,018,000	2,000,000	Equipm't oblig'n	2,546,584
Notes	347,860	330,000	Non-nego'ble debt	3,393,230
Advances	267,040	302,900	to affiliated cos.	43,845
Other investments	13,700	13,000	Notes, &c.	11,543,199
Misc. phys. prop.	10,643	10,643	Accounts & wages	11,543,199
Materials & supp.	1,345,071	13,250	Mat'd int. unpaid	88,385
Cash	182,447	15,370	Miscell. accounts	2,257,560
Special deposits	11,870		Acr.int., divs., &c.	50,787
Agents & conde.	317,371		Unadj., &c., items	3,175,293
Miscell. accounts	443,447	433,467	Accrued deprec'n	1,596,404
Interest, &c., rec.	1,218,760	1,485,376	U. S. Govt. acct.	2,617,811
Unadj. debits, &c.	33,374	144,809	Approp. surplus	1,334,889
Compensation due	237,302	1,086,651	Profit and loss	6,057,038
U. S. Govt. acct.	3,067,142	1,152,569		5,880,775
Total	49,142,928	48,714,691	Total	49,142,928
				48,714,691

a After deducting \$653,700 Common stock, \$6,600 Pref. stock and \$228,-000 income bonds, St. Mary's division, held by or for carrier.

Note.—Unpledged securities, issued or assumed, \$888,300.—V. 110, p. 1291.

International Railways of Central America.

(Report for Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31 1919.)

The text of the report, balance sheet and statistics will be cited more fully another week.

INCOME ACCT. FOR CAL. YRS. (EXCL. OCCIDENTAL RR.) (U.S.GOLD)

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Miles op. (excl.Occ.RR.)	515.04	508.52	487.89	486.89
Operating revenues	\$2,909,614	\$2,474,653	\$2,554,647	\$2,575,619
Operating expenses	1,881,160	1,333,474	1,353,605	1,185,818
Net earnings	\$1,028,454	\$1,141,179	\$1,201,042	\$1,389,801
Taxes	102,541	56,548	26,123	11,700
Operating income	\$925,912	\$1,084,631	\$1,174,919	\$1,378,101
Outside operations (net)	28,246	46,866	39,004	34,824
Int. disc., &c., received	10,999	8,620	3,291	5,987
Gross income	\$965,158	\$1,140,117	\$1,217,214	\$1,418,913
Bond interest, &c.	614,808	618,245	612,711	559,562
Unextinct. discount, &c.	7,505	7,505	28,170	28,138
Total deductions	\$622,313	\$625,750	\$640,881	\$587,700
Balance, surplus	\$342,846	\$514,368	\$576,333	\$831,213
P. & L. surplus Jan. 1	1,177,669	745,660	1,578,187	781,252
* Pref. divs. (paid in 10-year notes)			1,250,000	
Loss of property by earthquake	Cr. 70,292	25,000	123,737	
Miscellaneous	106,273	57,358	35,123	34,277
P. & L. sur. Dec. 31	\$1,484,533	\$1,261,877	\$745,660	\$1,578,188

x Covering period July 14 1914 to Feb. 1917, 12½%.

The above earnings do not include the Occidental RR. (50.25 miles). The gross earnings of that company in 1919 were \$228,857 and the operating expenses \$137,023, against \$167,163 and \$113,132, respectively, in 1918. On Dec. 31 1919 the Occidental RR. Co. had outstanding 30,000 shares, of which the International Rys. of Central America owned 28,208.

a Written back because cost of replacement of property was absorbed in operating expenses.—V. 110, p. 1415.

Cincinnati Traction Company.

(Report for Year 1919 by Department of Street Railroads of City of Cincinnati under Service-at-Cost Plan.)

W. C. Culkins, Director of Street Railroads for the City of Cincinnati, in an elaborate 47-page pamphlet report written under date of ——, gives a resume of street railway conditions and problems in that city which will be found of very considerable general interest. Much condensed extracts follow:

Service-at-Cost.—The year 1919 was the first complete year under the new service-at-cost franchise, effective Oct. 1 1918.

Effect of Fare Changes.—The effect of the service-at-cost upon the finances of the company present an interesting study.

The committee which prepared the ordinance found that the cost of service was 5.76 cents per revenue passenger, including an increase to employees from a maximum of 32 cents to 37 cents per hour. It therefore recommended that the initial rate of fare, under the ordinance, be 6 cents. Unfortunately, the initial rate of fare was fixed at 5 cents in spite of the known deficit. In October and November a serious epidemic of influenza swept the city, and these two months, constituting the basing (or fare-determining) period, showed a deficit of \$222,081.

In November 1918 the War Labor Board handed down a decision increasing the wages of conductors and motormen to a maximum of 48 cents per hour, and provided that the maximum should be reached at the beginning of the second year, instead of the fifth, as before. This increased the annual payrolls approximately \$1,000,000. A proportionate increase was ordered for miscellaneous employees from which an appeal was taken. Automatically fares were increased on Jan. 1 1919 to 5½ cents for tickets and 6 cents cash. However, January and February showed a deficit of \$223,407. The income per revenue passenger was 5.72 cents and the cost of operation 6.97 cents.

Fares were increased on April 1 1919 to 6 cents flat. In May the War Labor Board affirmed its grant of November to miscellaneous employees and added an additional \$9,000 per month to the payrolls dating back to November. The months of April and May showed a deficit of \$120,021, or a cost of 6.70 cents with an income of 6.09 cents per revenue passenger. This indicated that the next increase of ½ cent to 6½ cents would be sufficient. This was made on July 1 1919.

On that date, however, a demand for an increase in wages resulted in the scale being increased to a maximum of 50 cents per hour and in Aug. 1919 a coal shortage necessitated buying coal at prices above the contract. The city also required the relaying of track in connection with a number of improvements. There was a falling off of 75,000 in the number of passengers in July, so that the basing months of July and August showed a deficit of \$89,590, or a cost of 7.18 cents per passenger and an income of 6.74 cents, necessitating an increase to 7 cents flat on Oct. 1.

October 1919 gave the first surplus of \$25,678. In November and December the showing was less favorable by reason of the coal strike, which again necessitated the payment of higher prices, and reduced the surplus in those months to a nominal figure. However, there was no deficit and fares remained unchanged.

Effect of Varying Conditions upon the Total Income and Cost of Service.

	1918	1919
Per Revenue Pass.	Oct. Dec. Feb. April June Aug. Oct. Dec.	
Income	5.11c. 5.11c. 5.69c. 6.09c. 6.10c. 6.76c. 7.04c. 7.08c.	
Cost	6.56c. 6.76c. 6.99c. 6.84c. 7.22c. 7.09c. 6.79c. 7.07c.	
Deficit	1.45c. 1.65c. 1.30c. .75c. 1.12c. .33c. S.25c. S.01c.	

Note.—On Sept. 1 1920 the fare was increased from 7½c. by ticket to a straight Sc. fare basis. This followed an arbitration award increasing the wages of motormen and conductors to 59c. per hour. V. 111, p. 791, 989, 1082.—[Ed.]

The average fare per revenue passenger for the year 1919 was 6.28 cents, as compared with 4.98 cents in 1918, and the average for all passengers was 4.67 cents as compared with 3.71 cents in 1918.

Under the 7-cent rate the average in December 1919 was 6.92 cents per revenue passenger, and the average per passenger, including all passengers, was 5.23 cents.

Ratio of Cash Fares and Tickets Throughout the Year 1919—Number of Revenue Passengers (000 Omitted).

Cash Fares	Jan.	Mar.	May.	July.	Sept.	Nov.	Dec.	Yr. Av.
Rate	6c.	6c.	6c.	7c.	7c.	7c.	6c.	6½c.
Per cent to total	18.62	24.17	82.28	31.63	32.33	76.66	78.32	53.54

Ticket Fares

Rate	5½c.	5½c.	6c.	6½c.	7c.	7c.	6½c.
Per cent to total	81.38	75.83	17.72	68.37	67.67	23.34	21.68

This shows that while 80% availed themselves of the ticket rate on the 5½-cent fare, only 70% did so when the fare was 6½-7 cents.

"What Has Become of Money Produced by Increase in Fares?"—Comparison of 1916 with 1919.

The question is frequently asked, What has become of the additional money produced by higher fares.

The year 1916 was the last in which the company broke even on a 5-cent fare, after setting aside an amount equal to that allowed, in the present ordinance, for return on capital. The rate of fare for adults in 1916 was 5 cents, and in 1919 an average of 6½ cents. The total number of revenue passengers in 1919 was only .77% greater than in 1916.

The increase in earnings, \$1,531,505, with other income, made the total amount received in 1919 \$1,578,620 more than in 1916, or 26.52%. "What became of this large sum?" It went toward meeting the following increases in expenses:

Increase in Expenses in 1919 as Compared with 1916.	
Wages and salaries	\$1,485,794 55 or 66.54%
Materials and supplies	271,570 11 or 100.27%
Coal	222,816 01 or 73.21%
Valuation expenses	20,710 17 or 100.00%
Depreciation	35,000 00 or 26.52%
Insurance	10,302 02 or 37.77%
Other expenses	49,092 73 or 28.27%

Total increase \$2,095,285 59 or 66.70%

The increase in operating expenses exceeded by \$500,000 the increased fares, and, furthermore, there was an increase in general taxes of \$152,727, or 37.46%; and in city taxes of \$17,452, or 5.15%; while the interest on equipment notes increased \$5,633, or 16.19%.

Since the total expenses were far in excess of the total receipts, the company was compelled to borrow money from the banks to meet current expenses and for capital charges required by the city, in connection with street improvements. The interest charges on this unfunded debt amounted to \$57,465, an increase of 100%; no similar charge was necessary in 1916.

Story in a Nutshell

Amount. Increase. % of Inc.

Increased income over 1916 \$1,578,620 26.52%

Increase in expenses over 1916 2,328,562 45.14% 147.51%

The year 1917 produced a deficit of \$827,551; 1919 an operating deficit of \$668,770 uncollectible accounts, written off in 1919, \$1,747. Total accumulated deficiency, \$1,669,597, in unpaid obligations and moneys owed to the banks.

Under the provisions of the franchise it is required that fares be increased successively until the gross receipts provide for the cost of service and all accumulated deficits are paid. Therefore, notwithstanding the fact that for three months the 7-cent fare had produced the current cost of service, further increases would be necessary to pay off the deficiencies for the previous months and years. This alone would require increased by successive stages to 9½ cents.

Securities Issued to Fund the Deficits and in Lieu of Dividends, &c.—It was decided that it would be fairer to the public to fund the deficits by issuing securities which would be amortized in a period of years, at a rate which could be absorbed by current operation. Authority was granted the company to issue and sell \$4,650,000 of 6½% bonds at 95% and also \$2,100,000 6% debenture notes. The condition of the money market precluded the sale of such securities, and instead there were sold (1) at 96½%, \$2,250,000 of 3-year 7% notes [of Ohio Traction Co.; see offering, V. 110, p. 562]; these provided for the deficits and accrued capital accounts. (2) \$2,250,000 debenture notes bearing 6% were issued in lieu of the accrued dividends and payments allowed to the stockholders, under the ordinance, and to provide the initial \$250,000 of the reserve fund (V. 110, p. 77).

It was also provided that the company sell an additional \$1,500,000 of the 3-year notes to provide for improvements, upon further order of the City and the Commission.

The company also issued \$1,250,000 of 6% equipment notes, the proceeds of which were used for the purchase of additional cars.

Car Riding.—A careful study was made during the year of the effect of increased fares upon the car-riding habit, since it is well recognized that under the operation of the economic law of diminishing returns, a point may be reached where an increase in fares may fail to produce an increase in revenue by reason of the falling off in short-haul passengers. Experience in other cities showed this possibility by the fact that the increase in gross receipts showed a lower percentage than that of the fare.

It seems that in Cincinnati the rate of fare had little, if any, effect upon the number of passengers. The percentage of increase in gross receipts in each case was greater than the percentage of increase in fares. Many other cities made tremendous gains in population because of new war industries. Cincinnati manufactured much war material, but mainly by adaptation of already existing industries. As a consequence, there was a loss of population during the war period which had barely been overcome in 1919.

Effect of War Period on Number of Revenue Passengers in Cincinnati.

1916. 1917. 1918. 1919.

Revenue passengers, No. 116,599,800 118,152,860 112,525,698 117,495,936

The restoration did not occur until the latter half of 1919.

This situation must be considered in connection with a study of the rates of fare. It costs as much to haul a car with one passenger as with fifty. Cincinnati is a city of long haul through sparsely settled territory.

Comparison by Cities—Average Number of Passengers per Car Mile, or Density of Traffic.

Cleveland 8.73 Boston 5.95 Kansas City 4.94 Cincinnati 5.55

Detroit 7.41 Baltimore 6.83 St. Louis 5.98

Density of traffic is an index to service. The service-at-cost plan for Memphis provides that there shall be not less than .155 car miles nor more than .185 car miles per revenue passenger. Cincinnati in 1919 enjoyed .184 car miles per revenue passenger, or within .001 of said maximum.

Cost of Operation.—In 1919 labor, materials and supplies, and fuel showed an increase over 1916 of 66.54%, 100.27% and 73.31%, respectively. These items represent 91.44% of the operating expenses in 1919.

In 1916 coal cost the company an average of \$2.15 per ton; in 1919, \$3.53, or an increase of \$1.38 or 64.19% per ton, for 141,227 tons, the amount used being larger by 7,910 tons or 5.60% than in 1916, due to its inferior quality and the operation of a greater number of double-truck cars.

Additions and Betterments.—In 1919 authority was given for such expenditures amounting to \$1,840,340, which included \$253,820 as charge to operating expenses and \$1,586,520 to additions and betterments. The latter amount included \$1,250,000 for 105 new double-truck passenger cars. [The expenditures under such authorizations aggregated (net) \$1,504,613 and \$201,416, respectively.—Ed.]

Legislation—Funding Improvements—Payment Serially.—In order to make it possible to compel the company, as occasion might require, to improve or reconstruct its tracks coincident with street improvements without too great fluctuations in rates of fare, a bill was passed by the Legislature authorizing the city to lay the tracks and assess the cost, with interest, against the company in not to exceed ten annual installments. The budget of 1920, accordingly, provided for the expenditure of \$530,000 by the company, one-tenth to be deducted in that year. At the end of the year the constitutionality of the law was raised by a taxpayer's suit.

Motor Buses, &c.—Many have predicted that motor buses would soon replace street cars. Inquiry, however, shows that while experiments are being made, motor bus operation has only been successful on very short hauls and is not applicable to the long lines in Cincinnati.

Mechanical questions of acceleration and equipment, congestion, the failure of busses to meet the suspension of street-car operation in Toledo, and the known losses in operation by street railway companies now operating buses as feeders, raise questions as to the advisability of a substitution of street cars by motor buses.

Henry Ford is still working on a gasoline car for fixed tracks, but it has not yet made its trial trip and is intended for interurban and not for city service, since its motor is not adapted to frequent stops made by street cars. Mr. Ford announced that if the interurban car is a success, he will begin experiments on a city street car.

A distinct advance has been made, however, by a new type of light-weight car known variously as the "One Man Car," "Safety Car," or "Frequent Service Car," which permits increased service, lower cost of operation and higher wages. Its success in many cities seems to be unquestionable, although its use on very heavy lines during rush hour periods is still open to demonstration. Its operation in Cincinnati would not be feasible with the present double trolley system, which is an eye-sore peculiar to Cincinnati. A partial estimate of the cost of eliminating the double trolley places the gross cost at \$523,550; net, after salvage, at \$170,550. The company has publicly expressed opposition to the elimination of the double trolley or the introduction of the safety car.

Interurban Situation.—The situation relative to interurban railroads centring at Cincinnati has been very unsatisfactory. Of the five interurban lines, three are in the hands of receivers, one is being operated by a bondholders' committee, and the Cincinnati & Columbus has been ordered abandoned. Conditions responsible for the difficulties in which these roads find themselves are, the heavy increase in costs of labor and materials, the competition of motor trucks, the lack of adequate city terminal facilities and the inability of these companies to procure financial assistance with which to properly compete for business.

The Cincinnati Lawrenceburg & Aurora Electric Street RR. Co. demonstrated the importance of some of these features by a reduction in costs and an increase in business, after procuring lighter and more attractive equipment, abandoning its obsolete power plant and straightening its line.

Similarly the application of improved methods on the Cincinnati & Dayton RR. is showing marked results. The completion of the Rapid Transit loop will give this road an entrance to the city.

There is a proposal to build an extension to afford an entrance for the cars of the Cincinnati Lawrenceburg & Aurora Electric Street RR. Co., to enable it to reach Third and Walnut streets.

Discussion of the Franchise.—Cincinnati's new service-at-cost franchise has attracted wide attention throughout the United States and Canada. In many respects it has been recognized as establishing a distinct advance. A reserve fund, however, to provide for seasonal or other temporary fluctuations should be established and a greater elasticity in changes of fare is desirable. If the ordinance permitted a skipping of one or more of the appointed grades of fare, the large deficit which has accumulated could have been avoided.

An option to operate a short line at less than the maximum fare and to eliminate or charge for transfers would give an added degree of elasticity. The right to charge a higher fare on unprofitable extensions would afford opportunity for development of the city without placing an undue burden upon the general car rider. The expense of the city's Street Railway Department also should be made a part of the road's operating expenses.

Fares in Other Cities.—The war conditions shattered the universal 5-cent fare and cities were compelled to allow the companies to charge a higher rate or go into the hands of a receiver; 49 companies, including some of the largest in the country, are now in this latter situation.

Rates of Fares Fund in 406 Cities.

59 cities, 10c. fare	129 cities, 7c. fare	2 cities, 5c. zone,
1 city, 9c. fare	98 cities, 6c. fare	35 cities, 5c. fare with
23 cities, 8c. fare	7 cities, 7c. zone	1c. to 2c. for transfer
26 cities, 7c. fare, with	26 cities, 6c. zone	
1c. for transfer		

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND INCOME ACCOUNT.

	Year 1919.	Year 1918.	Increase.	Per Cent.
Passenger revenue	\$7,377,231	\$5,614,606	\$1,762,625	31.39
Parlor, chair & special car rev.	4,234	2,082	2,151	103.32
Mail revenue	13,618	16,894	dec.3,276	dec.19.39
Freight revenue (incomes)	9,041	8,347	694	8.32
Station & car privileges, rent of tracks, buildings, power, &c.	120,755	116,956	3,799	3.25
Total railway oper. revenue	\$7,524,878	\$5,758,883	\$1,765,995	30.67

Railway Operating Expenses				
Way and structures	\$575,459	\$255,668	\$319,791	125.08
Equipment	523,791	444,336	79,455	17.88
Power	903,850	771,729	132,121	17.12
Conducting transportation	2,744,246	1,870,238	874,008	46.73
Traffic	3,729	300	3,429	143.08
General and miscellaneous	485,386	390,679	94,707	24.24
Taxes assignable to ry. oper.	553,972	502,445	51,527	10.26
Rental of viaducts	6,500	6,500	—	—
Operating income	\$1,727,944	\$1,516,988	\$210,955	13.91
Total non-operating income	5,557	9,957	dec.4,399	dec.44.18
Gross income	\$1,733,501	\$1,526,945	\$206,556	13.53
Rentals of leased lines	1,234,937	1,234,937	—	—
Int. on equip. trust notes "B," C, D, E and F"	40,425	49,075	dec.8,650	dec.17.63

Interest on reducible debt	215,000	215,000	—	—
Sinking fund on reducible debt	82,445	82,445	—	—
Interest on unfunded debt	57,465	20,564	36,900	179.44
Return on capital	416,000	416,000	—	—

Deficit	\$312,770	\$491,076	\$178,305	36.31
Taxes—City of Cincinnati	350,000	336,475	13,524	4.02
Taxes—City of Norwood	6,000	—	6,000	100.00

Deficit	\$668,770	\$827,551	\$158,781	19.19
Revenue passengers, No. 117,495,936	112,525,698	4,970,238	4.42	
Car miles—Passenger, No. 21,165,550	20,395,148	770,402	3.77	
Special and mail, No. 48,625	58,606	dec.9,981	dec.17.03	
Density of traffic	5.55	5.52	.03	.54

CAPITALIZATION AS OF DEC. 31 1919 UPON WHICH RETURN IS ALLOWED UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 253 (1918).

Capital Stock	Outstanding	Interest Allowed	Sink.Fd.
Cincinnati St. Ry. Co. (leased)	\$18,738,950	\$1,124,337	6%
Cin. & Ham. Trac. (leased line)	2,200,000	100,000	4.55%
Ohio Traction Co. Pref. 5%	8,500,000	416,000	4.89%
Ohio Traction Co. bonds, 5%	2,500,000	125,000	6%
Ohio Traction Co. notes, 6%	1,500,000	90,000	6%
Cinc. Trac. Co. equip. notes, 5%	683,000	40,425	5%
Cinc. Trac. Co. equip. notes, 6%	1,175,000	—	—
Grand total	\$35,296,950	\$1,895,762	5.56%
		\$249,445	

Note.—The interest allowed on the capital stock of leased lines is in accordance with the contracts made by the Cincinnati Traction Co. in 1902 as rental for the use of the property of the Cincinnati Street Ry. Co. and the Cincinnati & Hamilton Traction Co. (Millcreek Valley Lines). The Cincinnati Street Ry. Co. is also paid an annual amount of \$10,000 and the Cincinnati & Hamilton Traction Co. \$600 to maintain their corporate organization.

The interest on the Cincinnati Traction Co. 6% equipment note, dated April 1 1919, was not included in the cost of operation, but was charged to additions and betterments (interest during construction), as the majority of the cars were not completed until late in 1919. The total issue was \$1,250,000, of which \$75,000 were retired at Sept. 30 1919. A total of \$167,000 of the 5% equipment notes was retired during the year.—V. 111, p. 1082.

Cosden & Company (Delaware).

(Report for Six Months Ended June 30 1920.)

The text of the report signed by President J. S. Cosden, together with the Income Account and Balance Sheet in detail, will be found on a subsequent page of this issue. The report in the usual comparative form was published last week on page 1180 of the "Chronicle."—V. 111, p. 1180.

Pullman Company, Chicago.

(Report for Fiscal Year Ending July 31 1920.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING JULY 31.

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.
Earnings of cars 5 mos end Dec. 31'17	\$11,750,000	\$11,750,000	\$23,287,252
*Federal compensation	2,769,777	3,689,936	4,854,167
Returns from mfg. interest, &c.			3,216,760
Gross income	\$14,519,777	\$15,439,936	\$33,358,179
Operating expenses & taxes	\$1,606,268	\$2,709,879	\$17,348,081
Net earns. pd. to other interests(5 m.)			Cr. 18,639
*Depreciation in general			2,607,891
Dividends (8%)	9,599,800	9,599,792	9,599,792
Balance surplus	\$3,313,709	\$3,130,265	\$3,802,414

* Federal compensation for seven months ended Dec. 31 1917.

* The provision for depreciation during Federal control accrues under the contract with the Director-General of Railroads, and hence does not appear in the income account.

BALANCE SHEET—JULY 31.

Assets—	1920.	1919.	Liabilities—	1920.	1919.
Cars & equip. x	\$78,287,971		Capital stock	\$120,000,000	\$120,000,000
Repaid shops	3,410,447		Acc'ts payable	17,151,164	5,017,507
Pullman bldg.	\$81,800,276	1,027,387	Accrued div.	2,399,950	2,399,948
Other real est. x	6,651		Ins. & other res.	2,370,969	2,342,071
Oper. supplies, linnen, &c.	7,979,678	2,468,994	U.S.Govt. (U. S. R.R. Adm.)	29,711,792	21,130,641
Unexpired insur.	123,224	1,843	Net surplus	23,678,091	20,364,382
Securities	8,530,527	8,660,900			
Car leases	5,606,566	6,522,004			
Cash	25,596,562	8,907,851			
Bills & acc'ts rec.	10,019,629	3,629,578			
Mfg.dept.plants & investments	20,136,408				
*U.S.Govt.(U.S. R.R. Adm.)	35,519,097	38,194,511	Total ea.side	\$195,311,967	\$171,254,548

* Includes depreciation, subject to adjustment at the end of Federal control.

x Includes amount invested in one-half interest in three Association cars.

y "By reason of the taking over of cash by the U. S. R.R. Adm., and payment of corporate indebtedness, the net cash balances as of July 31 1918 is reflected in the U. S. Gov't. item of \$23,194,904."

—V. 111, p. 596.

Canadian Locomotive Co., Ltd.

(9th Annual Report Year ending June 30 1920.)

Aemilius Jarvis, Chairman of the Board, writes in substance:

Results Greatly Affected by Strike.—The strike of last year extended into this year, completely cutting off our production for the first three months. This, together with the great difficulty in securing material—owing to the strike and embargoes on the American railways—has

Bonds.—Through the operation of the sinking fund bonds to the amount of \$404,500 have been retired during the year, reducing the bonded debt of the company to \$9,476,900 as of June 30 1920.

Additions, &c.—The two new fertilizer plants located at Woburn, Mass., and Norfolk, Va., have been completed. There is under construction a new mining plant on the company's phosphate rock lands in Giles County, Tenn. This plant will be completed by Jan. 1 1921 and will have a capacity of between seven and eight thousand tons per month. The entire output of this plant for the years 1921, 1922 and 1923 has been sold.

Improvements at our Florida phosphate rock properties will be fully completed by October 1920. These improvements will enable the company to increase its output from 600,000 to 900,000 tons per annum.

The demand for phosphate rock in both the foreign and domestic markets assures us that we will be able to operate our rock plants to their full capacity. It seems conservative to say that this demand will continue for several years.

Acid Contract.—On Dec. 31 1920 our sulphuric acid contract with the Tennessee Copper & Chemical Co. will terminate. A new contract has been entered into running for three years from Jan. 1 1921. Under the terms of the new contract we are only required to take the acid estimated by us necessary for our own manufacturing requirements and are relieved of the burden of marketing the excess tonnage. (Compare V. 110, p. 1419.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING JUNE 30.

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.	1916-17.
Gross profit on operations	\$5,735,652	\$4,734,553	\$4,504,583	\$2,851,408
Operating, &c., expenses	2,704,590	1,969,709	1,908,860	957,405
Net earnings	\$3,031,062	\$2,764,844	\$2,595,723	\$1,894,003
Div. jointly owned corp's	217,650	80,170	130,955	81,170
Gross income	\$3,284,712	\$2,845,014	\$2,726,678	\$1,975,173
Bond interest	491,569	511,097	533,237	556,629
Balance, surplus	\$2,757,143	\$2,333,917	\$2,193,441	\$1,418,544
Amort. of bond disc., organization exp., &c.	207,256	196,059	248,508	202,052
Profit on bonds purch.*	Cr. 79,602	Cr. 69,547	Cr. 123,337	Cr. 111,991
Reserve for contingencies	500,000	600,000	400,000	750,000
Res. for loss on invest't			500,000	
Preferred dividends	(5%) 652,775	(6 1/4%) 815,969x		
Balance, surplus	\$1,476,715	\$791,437	\$1,168,270	\$578,483

* Profit on bonds purchased at a discount and canceled under operation of sinking fund. x Includes five quarterly dividends of 1 1/4% each.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, INCLUDING AFFILIATED (i.e., 100% OWNED) COMPANIES.

	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real est., plant, &c.	22,335,003	21,653,007	Preferred stock—	13,055,500
Investments	1,490,380	1,371,556	Common stock—	7,260,600
Cash	1,825,592	1,636,163	First mtge. bonds—	9,476,900
Accts., notes, &c., rec. (less res've)	9,860,895	7,860,043	Accounts payable—	1,582,639
Inventories, cost	2,635,880	2,738,474	Loans and notes payable—	4,590,000
Due from: Jointly owned corp's	1,697,506	1,685,661	Dividends payable	163,194
Other companies	1,230,163	1,158,327	Interest on bonds and loans acrued, &c.—	453,420
Deferred charges	1,341,163	1,400,436	280,942	280,942
Cash in sink. fund	85	390	Special reserves—	2,416,626
U. S. Liberty bds.	298,763	422,350	Surplus—	4,073,234
Overburden from unmined phosph. property	356,734	434,588		2,596,519
Total	43,072,162	40,360,993	Total	43,072,162
				40,360,903

Note.—There are also contingent liabilities consisting of endorsements on notes of jointly owned corporations, \$235,000 not included above.—V. 111, p. 1188.

East St. Louis & Suburban Co.

(Report for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

'Pres. C. M. Clark, Philadelphia, April 9, wrote in sub.:

Results.—The statement below gives the earnings of the operating companies controlled by The East St. Louis & Suburban Co. for 1919 and 1918, all inter-company transactions being eliminated. In this statement, depreciation accruals for 1918 and 1919 have been taken out of operating expenses and deducted lower in statement so as to give a more accurate comparison between the two years. Cash expenditures charged to accrued depreciation amounted to \$96,816 in 1919 and \$88,094 in 1918.

The past year has shown a continuation of the old troubles connected with increased demands of labor and rising prices of materials. These increased costs invariably anticipate by long periods relief granted in fares or rates, and in some cases it has been impossible to secure relief. The result is that the companies have been subjected to increased costs before the income was available to provide therefor.

Adverse Conditions in 1919.—The reduced industrial activity following the Armistice affected the gross power sales. The nation-wide strike in the bituminous coal fields caused an almost entire shutdown of the mines in our district over a considerable period in the fall months, materially reducing earnings from coal freight. The employees' demand for increased wages was submitted to the National War Labor Board which in August granted an increase of 12%, due to increase in living costs. The street railway men struck upon hearing of this award. This strike lasted for nine days, after which the men returned to work without any concessions. The wages of the electrical workers were increased in Dec. 1919 approximately 15%. In view of the general and special conditions outlined above, it is perhaps remarkable that the results for 1919 were as good as given in the statement.

Fares & Rates.—Although strenuous efforts have been continued to get adequate increases in fares and rates, no result has yet been accomplished towards increasing above 6 cents the street car fare in East St. Louis, and the case is still pending (V. 111, p. 389). Fares on the Alton city lines were increased in March 1920, to 8 cents with reduced ticket rates, but no increase has yet been granted in the price of gas, and that department is being operated at a loss.

In Sept. 1919, the East St. Louis & Suburban Railway Co. secured a Federal injunction against the application of the Illinois 2 cents per mile passenger law because of its confiscatory nature.

There has been substantial increase in the earnings of the interurban lines as a result of higher fares after this injunction was granted.

Delay In Interest Payment.—The delay in payment of interest on the bonds of the Alton, Granite & St. Louis Traction Co. was referred to in the last annual report. The interest due Aug. 1 1918, was paid in Jan. 1919. The interest due Feb. 1 1919, was paid in July 1919. The interest due Aug. 1 1919, was paid in Jan. 1920. It is probable that there will be longer delay in payment of the interest due Feb. 1 1920, as the earnings of the Alton System are not yet equal to the constantly mounting costs of operation on account of the long delay in securing increased fares and rates.

Outlook.—During the first three months of 1920 the earnings have improved, and there has been an absence of any special adverse conditions. The management expresses the opinion that the low point has been reached and passed in so far as net earnings are concerned. This applies particularly to the earnings from coal freight, which are comparatively large, and will probably so continue except when these earnings are interrupted by switchmen's strikes, miners' strikes and similar occurrences.

Finances.—The financial condition of the companies has not materially changed during the past year, with the exception of reduction of \$126,756 25 in bills payable. There remains a considerable floating debt which it is hoped can be at least partially liquidated this year. The \$2,116,000 Two-year Notes of this company mature on Jan. 1 1921, and provision therefor will necessarily depend upon the results of operations during the balance of this year.

The outlook for 1920 is in many respects better than for several years, except as regards continued exorbitant demands for wage increases. The demands of the employees have been submitted to arbitration, which is now pending. (V. 111, p. 294.)

The territory served and the service requires is growing, and promises to grow more rapidly than in past years.

EARNINGS OF OPERATING COS. FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Gross earnings	\$4,258,919	\$4,215,887	\$3,692,472	\$3,027,699
Operating expenses	3,190,058	3,093,243	x 2,481,520	1,731,431
Taxes				89,343
Net earnings	\$1,068,861	\$1,122,643	\$1,210,952	\$1,206,925
Interest, &c.	825,424	813,289	785,382	755,033
Depreciation	x 290,194	210,073	x	x
Pref. dividend paid		(3) 45,000	(3) 180,000	(3) 180,000
Balance, surplus	def. \$46,758	\$54,281	\$245,570	\$271,892

x In 1917 and 1916, depreciation was included in operating expenses.

BALANCE SHEET OF EAST ST. LOUIS & SUBURBAN CO. DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Securities owned	23,471,806	23,470,775	Preferred stock	6,000,000
Adv. to sub. cos.	264,870	433,071	Common stock	7,000,000
Acr. int. receiv.	94,903	104,338	Funded debt	10,116,000
Bills receivable		8,000	Bills & accounts payable	275,000
Discount on bonds	10,730	-----	Accrued accounts	187,196
Cash	66,648	4,226	Profit & loss	330,762

Total 23,908,959 24,020,410 Total 23,908,959 24,020,410
For full financial statement concerning funded debt, &c., see "Electric Ry." Section of April 24 1920, page 42.—V. 111, p. 389.

Havana Tobacco Company.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

Treasurer George G. Finch, under date of March 2, reported for 1919: The company for earnings relies entirely on the dividends on its holdings of stock of Henry Clay & Bock & Co., Ltd., Havana Cigar & Tobacco Factories, Ltd., Havana Commercial Co., H. de Cavañas y Carbajal and J. S. Murias y Ca.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Dividends Received—				
Henry Clay & Bock Co., Ltd.	\$203,376	\$37,075	\$37,065	\$259,772
Hav.Cig.& Tob.Fac.,Ltd.	41,914	48,336	48,307	80,568
Havana Commercial Co.	138,905	138,905	138,905	138,905
H. de Cavañas y Carbajal	150,000	75,000	75,000	-----
Total divs. received	\$534,195	\$224,316	\$299,278	\$479,245
Oper. exp. (incl. int. on bills payable)	424,637	398,785	371,338	347,302

Net earnings	sur. \$109,558	def \$174,469	def \$72,060	sur \$131,943
Int. on 5% gold bonds	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000

Balance, deficit	\$265,442	\$549,469	\$447,060	\$243,057
1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.	

The combined earnings of the above cos., after int. depreciation, &c.—\$1,146,045

Proportion due Havana Tobacco Co. based on their security holdings 945,741 629,205 497,043 566,829

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Stock in other cos.	39,055,626	39,055,626	Common stock—	30,000,000
Stock in foreign cos.	2,810,692	2,810,692	Preferred stock—	5,000,000
Bills & acc'ts rec.	9,005	9,005	Bonds, 5%—	7,500,000
Treas. stock—pref	296,200	296,200	Accrued bond int.	38,575
Treas. stock—com	209,059	209,059	Bills & acc'ts pay.	7,102,379
Cash	8,364	14,157	Deficit	7,248,232

Total 42,388,947 42,394,740 Total 42,388,947 42,394,740
—V. 110, p. 1530.

Chicago Utilities Company.

(Report for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

President S. W. Tracy writing as of Jan. 19 says in subst

Capitalization and Assets.—Numerous inquiries received indicate that stockholders are not informed about the company. Therefore, we feel that a brief statement should be made.

Capital Stock & Bonds Issued by the Chicago Utilities Co.

Preferred stock	\$30,475,000	B
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strike the latter part of Nov. 1919, causing a great loss of business during the month of December. New rates were finally authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission, taking effect Dec. 15 last, which will take care of necessary wage increases, and result in a better operating showing for the coming year.

During the past year the possibilities of the transportation business have been thoroughly analyzed by the management and outside experts, and there seems to be no present hope of making the property earn any substantial amount without the expenditure of large sums of money, and in the light of past experience, it does not at this time seem advisable to recommend any new construction or improvements. While the future of the properties is uncertain, comprehensive terminal and civic plans now pending may eventually benefit the property.

Sale of Telephone Property.—As advised in reports presented at annual meetings in 1918 and 1919, the telephone property has all been sold and removed. After paying compensation to the city, expenses of sale, past due franchise compensation and taxes, there remains in the hands of the trustee of the Chicago Tunnel Company's mortgage at close of Dec. 31 1919, the sum of \$480,709. Out of this sum must eventually be paid other past due taxes now in litigation. When back taxes have been settled, it is estimated that about \$250,000 will be available for such disposition as may finally be determined upon.

CHICAGO TUNNEL CO. & CHICAGO WAREHOUSE & TERMINAL CO. OPERATING REVENUES & EXPENSES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1919.

Revenue—	Expenses—
Mdse. freight haulage.....\$771,423	Maintenance & operation.....\$840,614
Excavation haulage.....36,298	Deprec. of motors, cars & disposal station.....59,138
Coal and ashes haulage.....74,493	Operating loss.....\$12,321
Other revenue.....5,217	Taxes.....73,560
Total.....\$887,431	Net deficit.....\$85,881

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31 1919.

Assets—	Liabilities—
Property & franchise.....\$31,139,922	Common stock.....\$18,794,000
Road & equipment.....26,243,210	Preferred stock.....30,475,000
Sinking fund.....480,709	Bonds.....9,974,900
Stock of other companies.....11,850	Loans & notes payable.....259,140
U. S. Gov't certificates.....111,080	Acc'ts & wages.....196,017
Cash.....102,225	Matured interest.....2,075,192
Miscel. acc'ts receivable.....193,243	Matured funded debt.....300,000
Material and supplies.....64,753	Accrued interest.....120,161
Prepaid accounts.....2,079	Deferred liabilities.....4,838
Profit and loss.....5,352,128	Taxes accrued.....229,691
Total.....\$63,701,199	Operating reserves.....13,826
	Accrued depreciation.....1,076,405
	Other unadjusted credits.....182,029
Total.....\$63,701,199	Total.....\$63,701,199

Directors.—S. W. Tracy, Joseph Harris, W. E. Worth, R. J. Dunham, A. Slade, W. J. Gavin.

Officers.—S. W. Tracy, President, Chicago; Chas. Richter, Vice-President, New York; L. J. Gundlach, Secretary, Chicago; L. P. Ray, Treasurer, Chicago; Dodge L. Marks, Asst. Secy. & Asst. Treas., New York; James E. Manter, Clerk, Portland.

Chicago Office.—754 West Jackson Boulevard.—V. 108, p. 683.

General Petroleum Corporation.

(4th Annual Report Year ended June 30 1920.)

President John Barneson, San Francisco, Aug. 26, wrote in substance:

Results.—The company shows net profits for the year of \$2,449,237 after reserving sum of \$363,768 to meet Federal Taxes. In determining these profits there has been set aside as a reserve for depreciation and depletion the sum of \$2,229,081, computed in accordance with the latest U. S. Treasury regulations; and there has been deducted from income, in accordance with the option given by Treasury rulings, the sum of \$808,457 covering labor and incidental expenses on new wells drilled during the year, ordinarily chargeable to capital expenditures. Increases in wages and cost of supplies have again had a material bearing upon the net profits.

Quarterly Pref. dividends at the rate of 7% p. a. and monthly dividends of 1% on the Common stock, were paid during the year. The dividend payments during the past four years total over \$6,000,000.

Development.—The delay in the passage of the Oil Leasing Bill having continued to keep the known prolific oil-bearing territory in the Midway Field closed to development, the company, like all others, has continued its vigorous campaign of exploration of other prospective territory. Unproductive drilling in new areas necessitated charges against the current year's income of \$206,780 for loss on abandoned leases, and \$248,823 for materials.

Plant Property and Equipment.—The total of these accounts on June 30 1920 was \$38,364,265, an increase of \$6,744,614 over year 1918-19.

Current Assets.—The total current assets were \$8,293,361, or nearly three times current liabilities.

Capital Stock.—During the fiscal year subscriptions for \$5,707,600 par value of Common stock were received from stockholders at \$125 per share. Up to June 30 1920 \$4,814,406 was paid in on these subscriptions and Common Capital stock of the par value of \$3,840,600 was issued to subscribers on account of these partial payments; \$100,000 stock was also issued for options on Louisiana properties. V. 110, p. 81, 470.

The outstanding Common stock on June 30 1920 was \$21,123,900.

Funded Debt.—During the year there were retired \$330,000 of General Petroleum Corporation 6% Gold Notes and the full amount necessary under Sinking Fund provisions of General Pipe Line Co. 1st M. bonds was deposited with the Mortgage Trustee. After deducting bonds and notes owned by the company, there remain in the hands of the public \$383,000 of Gold Notes and \$2,537,000 bonds of General Pipe Line Co.

Current Liabilities.—This account shows a decrease of \$216,579.

Properties in Hands of Government Receiver.—For the last four years, pending the passage of a leasing bill or the determination of Government suits, no account has been taken of the financial outcome of the Annex, Bear Creek and Buena Vista properties. There is now in the hands of the Receiver a balance of slightly over \$3,500,000 which does not appear in the company's balance sheet.

Leases Sought under Oil Leasing Act.—Applications for leases under the Oil Leasing Bill have been filed and it is confidently expected that leases will be granted and the major portion of the funds now held by the Receiver turned over to the company in the near future. (Compare Act V. 110, p. 1600 to 1604.)

Oil Production, &c.—The production of oil from the properties of the company, including 368,343 barrels of royalty oil from Mexican sub-leases, was 4,262,465 barrels, an increase for the year of 50,749 barrels. Daily production from California properties during July 1920, was approximately 1,400 barrels greater than during July 1919. Net storage June 30 1920 was 702,798 barrels.

The company handled during the year 20,063,164 barrels of oil. Sales totaled 11,600,495 barrels of refined and fuel oils. The balance is represented in oil exchanges, fuel consumed, losses in transportation and refining, &c.

Property and Equipment.

California.—During the year the company acquired by purchase or lease 7,614 acres of proven or prospective oil land in California; and leases were abandoned, after test, on 3,036 acres.

34 wells were completed to production, and 26 wells were drilling June 30 1920. Nine exhausted wells were abandoned and the book value was written off of 5 dry holes. In the Richfield District, the company now has 6 wells producing a total of 1,400 barrels of 21 deg. oil per day; 9 wells drilling and rigs erected for 5 additional wells. 72 acres of additional property in this district were acquired during the year.

The company constructed 32 miles of six-inch pipe line connecting the Southern Fields with the refinery at Vernon, and a pump station and storage facilities were erected on the company's Brea property.

Operations were simultaneously commenced on the development of the 607 acre Tonner property owned by the company in fee. These operations resulted in new production of high gravity oil from three completed wells, totaling 2,100 barrels per day, on July 31; 3 wells are now drilling and 4 additional rigs have been erected. An absorption plant to handle the gas produced by these wells has been erected and is operating profitably.

The operations in Ventura County have met with sufficient success to encourage the drilling of 2 additional wells.

Wyoming.—Development work in the Ferris Dome section of the Lost Soldier Field resulted in the bringing in of a 300-barrel well on Section 16 late in October 1919. Owing to the lack of pipe line facilities this well has only been pumped for a total of 10,500 barrels. Work is progressing on 6 additional wells. These wells, together with other wells being drilled by sub-lessees of this company, will enable the company to decide whether it is expedient to proceed with the construction of a pipe line and refinery for handling the production from this field.

Texas.—Drilling on prospective oil lands in Texas has been unsuccessful and the company's leases in that State are now being abandoned.

Louisiana.—An option was purchased on a 1,100 acre lease in the Pine Island field, with an alternative option to acquire a one-half interest in the company which now owns this lease, together with producing properties in the Bull Bayou field. Drilling is now proceeding in Pine Id. field.

Mexico.—Construction work was started on the company's terminal opposite Tampico. The plans include storage facilities totaling about 700,000 barrels, wharves and loading facilities for the handling of crude and fuel oils, and a pipe line connecting with the main line of the Mexican Gulf Oil Co. on the Panuco River. The refinery will probably be in operation until about July 1921. However, the terminal facilities aforementioned will be completed within the next sixty days and will permit the company to handle and ship its oil from both the Tepetate and Panuco Fields. The delivery of royalty oil at the present time is being handled by arrangement with the Mexican Gulf Oil Co. (V. 109, p. 977.)

Additional lands in Mexico are being acquired from time to time.

Puget Sound.—The company has completed the Harbor Island Station in Seattle and now has on Puget Sound storage facilities for approximately 175,000 barrels of oil. The plant began active operations several months ago and handles oil for the U. S. Shipping Board as well as our own oil.

San Pedro.—We have installed at Channel Station an up-to-date plant for the handling of gas oil, distillate and lubricating oil for supplying fishing boats working out of that harbor, and has built up a very substantial business in these products.

Vernon.—Work on the synthetic plant was delayed considerably pending settlement with the Government on that part of the plant being purchased from them. Towards the latter part of the year, however, operations were started and the output of synthetic products has been steadily increased. During the coming year it is proposed to erect a complete lubricating plant.

Marine Equipment.—Contracts were let for two 10,250 ton tankers, which are now under construction at shipyards on San Francisco bay; one is expected to be completed in November 1920 and the other in January 1921. The company has also purchased a tug boat and is building three barges at Beaumont, Texas, to be used on the Panuco River for transporting Panuco oil to the company's facilities now being installed at Tampico.

Appreciation in Value of Company's Holdings.—Due to the discovery of new productive areas in the Richfield and Tonner districts, the company's geologists estimate that the properties on which production has been obtained have a present net value of over \$12,000,000 in excess of the figures now on the balance sheet.

The comparative tables of income account and balance sheet will be found in V. 111, p. 985.

Chino Copper Company.

(10th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

President C. M. MacNeil, N. Y., April 9, wrote in brief:

Results.—The total net income was \$1,301,797, or at the rate of \$1.50 per share, as compared with \$3,908,222, or \$4.49 per share for the year 1918. This marked decrease is accounted for by the smaller production and lower price of copper. Production was cut to about 50% of capacity beginning Jan. 1 1919 and has since continued at that rate.

For the first few months of 1919 there was practically no demand for copper, and as late as June sales were recorded as low as 14.5c. per lb. Towards the end of the year, however, a marked improvement in the demand and a fair advance in market prices followed the general resumption of industrial activities, so that sales in excess of production have effected a moderate reduction of the large surplus of marketable copper which remained unsold at the end of 1918. The average price received for copper delivered during the year was 18.784c. per lb.

The net operating income for the year was \$1,038,908; miscellaneous income, \$69,589; adjustment of treatment charges, &c., \$193,299, or a balance to surplus account of \$1,301,797.

Production.—Gross copper production for the year in concentrates and precipitates was 42,325,449 lbs. After smelter deductions the net production was 40,488,706 lbs. In addition there were also produced gold and silver valued at \$17,928. The net cost of producing copper for the year was 15.53c. per lb., as compared with 14.13c. per lb. for 1918.

Payments to Shareholders.—Capital distributions were made to stockholders during the year at the rate of 75c. per share per quarter, a total of \$3 per share for the year, or \$2,609,940. The total disbursements to stockholders up to and including Dec. 31 1919 amounted to \$29,012,982.

Data from Managing Director D. C. Jackling and Gen. Mgr. John M. Sully, March 18 1920.

Ore Reserves.—Only two development drill holes were completed, adding 924 ft. to development drilling for 1919, making the total drilled since the beginning of operations 265,672 ft.

No recalculation of ore reserves has been made since Dec. 31 1918, when a total of 114,528,175 tons, having an average grade of 1.66% copper, was reported as being fully developed by churn drilling. Since the beginning of operations there has been milled or shipped direct to the smelter a total of 19,746,650 tons of ore averaging 1.86% copper, leaving a total of ore unmined together with that mined but untreated and stored in stock piles as of Dec. 31 1919 of 94,781,525 tons, averaging 1.62% copper. In addition to ore reserves stated above there are considerable tonnages of partially developed ore based on scout drill holes that are over 200 ft. apart.

Costs, &c.—The average operating cost per pound of copper produced for the year, excluding charge for Federal income and profits taxes and without credit for precious metals values and regular miscellaneous income, was 15.53c. as compared with 14.13c. per lb. calculated in the same way for 1918. The credit for precious metals amounted to 0.044c. per lb. of copper, and that for miscellaneous income amounted to 0.172c. per lb., making a total of 0.216c. for 1919 as against 0.109c. for 1918.

The per pound cost, 15.53c., as stated for the year 1919, includes depreciation and charges for accrual of all taxes except Federal income and profits taxes, for which no reserves were set up in 1919. From the cost for the year 1918 as shown above for purposes of comparison charge of 3.16c. per lb. is deducted for such Federal tax reserves as were established in that year. Applying the usual credits for gold and silver values and for the regular miscellaneous income for both years as above stated and excluding Federal taxes for both years, the net cost for 1919 is 15.31c. per lb., as compared with 14.02c. for 1918.

[For production and earnings statements made in 1920, see V. 110, p. 1751, 2079, 2196, 2570; V. 111, p. 192, 695, 1086.]

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Copper produced (lbs.)	40,488,706	75,655,641	79,636,235	72,319,508
Average rec. per lb.	18.05 cts.	22.536 cts.	24.116 cts.	26.465 cts.
Revenue from copper	\$7,308,598	\$17,049,580	\$19,205,146	\$19,139,269
do from gold & silver	17,928	39,732	56,160	80,498
Total revenues	\$7,326,525	\$17,089,312	\$19,261,306	\$19,219,767
<i>Operating Expenses</i>				
Mining and milling	\$3,587,946	\$7,377,287	\$4,904,732	\$2,600,572
Treatment, refining and freight	1,835,288	4,130,349	3,253,086	2,979,622
Selling commission	70,043	131,929	193,316	193,220
Stripping	794,340	1,439,475	1,083,557	928,477
Total expenses	\$6,287,617	\$13,079,040	\$9,434,690	\$6,701,891
Net profits	\$1,038,909	\$4,010,272	\$9,826,616	\$12,517,876
Other income	69,589	43,052	310,436	325,286
Total income	\$1,108,498	\$4,053,324	\$10,137,052	\$12,843,162
Depreciation, &c.			\$336,077	\$315,214
Adjustment of charges	259,841		288,121	
Red Cross, &c., funds		145,102		
Dividends (earnings)		2,827,435	7,325,327	7,177,335
do (capital distrib'n)	2,609,940	1,087,475	1,087,475	
Total rate per cent	(60%)	(90%)	(198%)	(165%)
Balance, surplus	def.\$1,308,143	def.\$6,688	\$900,052	\$5,350,613

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.					
1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.		
<i>Assets</i>	\$	\$	\$		
Property acc'ts	11,224,033	11,159,286	Capital stock	4,349,900	4,349,900
Investments	1,077,300	579,840	Acc'ts payable	238,519	723,825
Deferred charges (stripping)	4,148,531	3,135,663	Accrued taxes, insurance, &c.	1,549,756	1,794,211
Mater'l & supplies	1,645,125	1,989,990	Bills payable	2,569,650	-----
Accts. receiv., &c.	60,694	508,621	Treatment, refining & delivery, not due	390,091	842,782
Copper on hand & in transit	5,279,905	3,886,177	Surplus from sale of securities	2,995,253	2,995,253
Ore at mill, &c.	404,543	208,699	Surplus from oper.	13,549,095	14,857,238
Marketable secur's	5,309	1,939,921	Total	25,642,264	25,563,210
Cash	1,320,088	1,000,050	Total	25,642,264	25,563,210
Due in January for Dec. cop. deliv's	476,737	1,154,962			
Total	25,642,264	25,563,210			

x After deducting reserve for depreciation, \$2,232,621, against \$1,774,699 in 1918.—V. 111, p. 1086.

GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS

RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.

General Railroad and Electric Railway News.—The following table summarizes recent railroad and electric railway news of a more or less general character—news concerning which detailed information is commonly published on preceding page under the heading "Current Events and Discussions" (if not in the "Editorial Department"), either in the week the matter becomes public or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

Anthracite and B.R.T. Strikes Practically Over.—See "Current Events" above and Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. below.

Rates.—(a) North Dakota Supreme Court on Sept. 18 enjoins the railroads of that State from continuing to charge the increased intra-State rates effective Sept. 1. (b) Cabinet Council of Canadian Government will on Sept. 29 hear appeals from recent order of Railway Commission increasing rates. (c) Commercial travelers protest against increased fares, N. Y. "Times" Sept. 22.

Miscellaneous.—(a) Slow payment to RR's by U. S. Govt., see p. 790 of "Iron Age" of N. Y. for Sept. 23. (b) "Railway Valuation," the "Railway Review" of Chicago for Sept. 18 contains on p. 429 to 431 the tenth installment of an article on this subject by Frank Rhea. (c) Striking Chicago switchmen return to work, "Railway Review" Sept. 18, p. 432.

Matters Treated Fully in "Chronicle" of Sept. 18.—(a) Gross and net earnings for July, p. 1129 to 1131. (b) Anthracite wage award, p. 1142. (c) Brooklyn Rapid Transit strike, p. 1144-5.

Alabama & Mississippi RR.—*Abandonment Sought.*—The company has applied to the I.-S. C. Commission for authority to abandon its line from Vinegar Bend, Ala., to Leakesville, Miss., and Pasca-goula.—V. 104, p. 862.

American Rys. Co.—*Assessment Under Plan &c.*—See National Properties Co. below.—V. 111, p. 1182.

Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic Ry.—*No Merger.*—A director of the company when asked concerning statements that a merger or consolidation with some other railroad system is under contemplation, stated that there have been no negotiations of this kind and that the matter has not been considered. He said he did not know the reason for the recent activity in stock, but pointed out the fact that nearly all of the securities of the recently reorganized railroads had been quite active." ("Wall Street Journal," Sept. 20).—V. 111, p. 989.

Bangor & Aroostook RR.—*Labor Board & Wages.*—

The "Railway Review" of Sept. 11 gives the full decision of the U. S. Railroad Labor Board in the wage case of the railroad unions against the Bangor & Aroostook RR., which was handed down at Chicago Aug. 27. This was the first decision affecting a short-line railroad and is known officially as Decision No. 5, Docket No. 27. The advanced rates of pay granted are practically the same as those recently allowed to employees of the Class I roads.—V. 111, p. 587.

Berkshire Street Ry.—*Accepts Wage Offer.*—

The union, it is stated, has accepted the company's latest offer of a 16% increase in wages and 10 cents an hour extra for one man cars. The men had previously refused an increase of 15% and demanded a 40% increase in wages.—V. 111, p. 492.

Bolivia Railway.—*Railway Progress in Bolivia.*—

The "Railway Review" of Sept. 4 has an article entitled "Railway Progress in Bolivia."—V. 110, p. 2387.

Boston & Maine RR.—*Appeal Waived.*—

The minority stockholders on Sept. 23 waived their appeal before the full bench of the Mass. Supreme Court against the order of the P. U. Department allowing the road to issue \$13,306,000 bonds under the plan of reorganization, thereby eliminating the opposition to the readjustment program.—V. 111, p. 1082.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co.—*Strike Situation.*—

It was announced on Sept. 22 that all the strike-breakers employed by the company have departed and that 300 of the old men resumed work, and 106 new men were taken on for permanent employment on that date making a total of 8,505 men now at work, the old number having been about 12,000.—See also under "Current Events" in last week's "Chronicle," p. 1144-45.—V. 111, p. 1182.

Bryan (Tex.) & Central Interurban Ry.—*Road Sold.*—

The road, according to a dispatch from Houston, Tex., has been sold at auction to Sam Wexler by Guy Graham of Houston, Master-in-Chancery, for \$250,000 cash.—V. 109, p. 774.

Buffalo & Lake Erie Traction Co.—

See Cleveland & Erie Ry. below.—V. 111, p. 1082.

Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry.—*Working Agreement Sought.*—

According to President William T. Noonan, a closer working agreement between his road and Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR. is the object of negotiations now under way between officials of the two roads. Pres. Noonan who with other officials recently inspected the trackage terminals &c. of both roads, says:

"All this is in line with a closer working relationship which may give that line trackage facilities into Rochester, to the great benefit of this city. In turn, through the Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh, the city would have another line by way of the Delaware Lackawanna & Western to New York city, and all the territory tapped by that line would be directly accessible to traffic originating here and elsewhere on lines of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh.—V. 111, p. 791.

Chattanooga Railway & Light Co.—*Wage Increase.*—

Effective Sept. 16 the employees received an increase in wages of 4 cents an hour, bringing the maximum pay up to 46 and 55 cents an hour.—V. 110, p. 2291.

Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville Ry.—*To Buy Yard.*—

It is stated that the company has applied to the I.-S. C. Commission for permission to issue \$140,000 bonds, to be used in the purchase of the Indianapolis yard of the Cin. Indianapolis & Western RR.—V. 110, p. 2487

Cincinnati & Columbus Trac. Co.—*Interurban Situation.*—See Cincinnati Traction Co. under "Fin. Reports" above.—V. 110, p. 658

Central RR. of New Jersey.—Annual Report.

(1) Federal Statistics	1919.	1918.	1917.
Operating revenues	\$44,837,302	\$44,790,671	\$37,096,739
Operating expenses	40,273,951	36,369,271	26,412,853
Net operating revenues	\$4,563,352	\$8,421,400	\$10,683,887
(2) Corporate Statistics			
Standard return accrued	\$9,352,301	\$8,417,071	-----
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Operating income	1,783,037	2,106,067	\$8,291,241
Other income	1,783,037	2,106,067	4,364,480
Balance, surplus	\$1,803,209	\$311,151	\$3,483,658

a Only 90% of the standard return was accounted as accrued during the year 1918 in accord with Section 2 of the Federal Control Act, pending the execution of agreement. The contract was executed bearing date of Jan. 24 1919, and the balance of 10% was included in the accruals for the current year.—V. 110, p. 2657.

Cincinnati & Dayton RR.—*Interurban Situation.*—See Cincinnati Traction Co. under "Financial Reports" above.

Cincinnati Indianapolis & Western RR.—*To Sell Yard.*—See Cincinnati Indianapolis & Louisville Ry. above.—V. 111, p. 488.

Cincinnati Lawrenceburg & Aurora Elec. St. Ry.—See Cincinnati Trac. Co. undr "Financial Reports" above.—V. 111, p. 294.

Cincinnati Northern Railroad.—*Annual Report.*—

Federal Statistics	1919.	1918.	1917.
Operating revenue	\$2,872,269	\$2,812,979	\$2,440,829
Net after taxes	587,552	340,076	578,933
Equipment rentals, &c.	12,287	def. 59,298	def. 188,252
Net operating income	\$599,839	\$280,778	\$390,681
Corporate Data	1919.	1918.	Changes.
Federal compensation	\$317,628	\$317,628	-----
Other income	18,343	9,158	Inc. 9,185
Total income	\$335,971	\$326,786	Inc. \$9,185
Interest, tax, rentals, &c.	95,323	89,967	Inc. 5,356
Expenses & rev. applic. prior to Jan. 1	1918	106,248	23,028
Balance, surplus	\$134,400	\$213,791	Dec. \$79,391

—V. 107, p. 1003.

Cleveland & Erie Ry.—*Receivership.*—

Following proceedings in equity brought by George Bullock, receiver of the Buffalo & Lake Erie Traction Co., A. O. Chapin, Erie, Pa., was appointed receiver by Judge U. P. Rossiter. The bill in equity charges that the int. due on bonds July 1 last has been defaulted and that \$2,489 due the Buffalo Co. for use of its lines in the City of Erie remains unpaid. The company operates about 33 miles of track from Erie, Pa. to Conneau, O.

Cleveland Railway.—*Refund of Dividend Asked.*—

The Mayor of Cleveland has ordered Street Railroad Commissioner Fielder Sanders to make formal demand on the company for the return of \$72,000 paid stockholders on April 1 as dividends at the rate of 7%. If the \$72,000 is paid back it will keep the interest fund (the fare barometer) from going below \$300,000 as of Aug. 31, and will put off a fare increase until the interest fund goes below that figure despite the addition of the \$72,000.

It is understood the company takes the position that the \$72,000 was paid legally because petitions for the referendum, which defeated the dividend increase from 6 to 7%, had been held invalid by the Common Pleas Court at that time.—("Electric Railway Journal.")—V. 111, p. 1182.

Columbus New Albany & Johnstown Traction Co.—

The company has filed notice decreasing its capital from \$575,000 to \$550,000.—V. 108, p. 784.

Connecticut Company.—*May Operate Part of Shore Line Electric Ry.*—*Jitney Regulation in New Haven.*—

See Shore Line Electric Ry. Com. below.

The Board of Aldermen of New Haven, Conn. has passed an ordinance ruling motor buses off a number of streets in that city served by the company. The measure designates eleven streets in the central area of New Haven from which the jitneys will be barred. It provides that all persons operating public service motor vehicles, while carrying passengers, shall keep in the traffic route fixed in the ordinance.—V. 111, p. 1082.

Dallas (Tex.) Ry.—*Plans New Franchise.*—

Vice-Pres. Richard Meriwether has announced that the company will seek a strictly service-at-cost franchise from the city of Dallas at the municipal elections to be held in April 1921 instead of the present franchise granted in 1917 which embodies some of the service-at-cost features but does not provide for increased revenues when the company is operating at a deficit. The present franchise provides that whenever the earnings shall exceed 7% on the agreed valuation the fare shall be automatically reduced.—V. 111, p. 1082.

Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR.—*Submits Plan with Commission for Segregation of Its Coal Properties—To Become a Carrier Only—Capital Increase Proposed so as to Distribute Stock to Stockholders—Desire to Extend Lines by Acquisition of or Consolidation with Other Lines.*—The company on Sept. 17 submitted to the I.-S. C. Commission a plan for the segregation of its coal properties and the operation of its mines owned, as distinct enterprises from its railroad properties. The company asks permission to capitalize its surplus, exceeding \$90,000,000, either in whole or in part, as the Commission may order. The company has not yet submitted plans for the formation of a separate coal company, and it is not definitely known whether the stock of the new coal company will be distributed as a stock dividend. 1 Data from Petition as Filed with the Inter-State Commerce Comm

The applicant prays that the Commission authorize the issue of its capital stock to the full amount of its surplus, or such part thereof as the Commission may approve, and approving the uses, purposes and disposition of the proposed issue, and that the applicant be granted such other and further relief in the premises as may to the Commission seem proper. Since early in its history applicant has been functioning in the dual capacity of coal mining company, holding in fees by lease and operating large tracts of anthracite coal lands, and of transportation company operating an important system of railroads. Such ownership and operation of coal lands has subjected it to laws preventing it from expanding its capitalization to keep pace with the growth of its assets as it would otherwise have had the right to do. It is now ready to segregate its coal properties from its rail properties and to thereafter continue as a transportation company only, and thus place itself in a position subject to this Commission's asset to accept the benefits of general laws of Pennsylvania permitting it to increase its capitalization to more nearly conform to its assets and to what such capitalization would doubtless have been but for the operation of such restrictive laws.

The declaration of dividends at a rate abnormally high when compared with the dividend rate of other railroads operating in the same territory has led to the unwarranted conclusion on the part of the public that applicant has earned and is earning a grossly excessive return on its investment in

property devoted to public use. An increase in capital stock, as is here proposed, would tend to remove this source of distrust and suspicion.

The D. L. & W. RR. is a highly developed modern railroad with an established earning power sufficient to enable it to render an adequate return upon capital stock increase in accordance with the application with the Commission.

The surplus of the road exceeds \$90,000,000 in comparison with the capitalization of the railroad of less than \$43,000,000. Money invested in the road and equipment of the D. L. & W. RR. proper, or that part of the company within the State of Pennsylvania, is in excess of \$87,000,000. The total investment in its owned, leased and controlled lines exceeds \$244,000,000, an amount about double the aggregate outstanding stocks and bonds of such lines.

Outlining the growth of the company to its present proportion by the acquisition of the different railroad properties and coal properties, the petition declared that before and since such mergers the applicant from time to time acquired other coal lands until it is now possessed of many thousand acres thereof, and since early in its history and down to the present time it has actively engaged in the mining of coal from such lands.

The petition also declares that the applicant proposes to issue additional capital stock to the full amount of its surplus and to distribute such stock pro rata among its stockholders, transferring to capital account the amount of such surplus. It asks in the proceeding that the Commission make an order authorizing the issue of additional capital stock and approving the distribution of the new stock as proposed.

Extracts from Opinion of Counsel Filed with Application.

It is the desire of the company to extend and improve its lines of railroads by acquisition of or consolidation with other lines. It is believed that much better terms can be obtained in connection with voluntary consolidation if our capital stock represents more nearly our value than as at present. It is universally true with prosperous and progressive corporations that the market value of its stock as a whole is increased as it is enlarged. In other words, our present stock of \$42,000,000, which in the past has averaged around \$200 in market value (\$50 shares), shows an aggregate value of \$168,000,000. If increased to \$100,000,000, for example, we have no doubt that its aggregate market value would increase to at least \$200,000,000. Market values will have an almost controlling influence upon the terms of voluntary consolidation.

Our company is a Pennsylvania corporation and has had the statutory powers prescribed by various special Acts of the Legislatures of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York. Such Acts authorized an increase in the capital stock of the company for the sole purpose of new construction of its owned lines in the State of Pennsylvania. To obtain general statutory authority to increase its stock it was necessary under the laws of Pennsylvania for the company to formally accept its Constitution. A section of such Constitution, however, prohibited a railroad company from engaging in the business of producing coal.

Partly because of history of the company, partly because of a fear that if it should divest itself of its coal properties the same might be acquired by competitive interest and the coal tonnage diverted from its lines, the managers of the company have been unwilling in the past to segregate its coal properties. The result has been that there has been no increase in the amount of its capital stock since the year 1876, when it amounted to \$26,200,000, except on two occasions—in 1909, on merger and exchange, some \$4,000,000 of stock was distributed as a 15% stock dividend; in 1914, \$12,000,000 for the construction of a 30-mile cut-off line in Pennsylvania.

From the foregoing it is apparent that the financial policies of the company as to capitalization and otherwise have been controlled by its ownership of coal mines and its charter restrictions growing out of such ownership. But for this relationship to coal properties and the consequent legal restriction on its financial policies and capitalization would have been entirely different.

Under these circumstances, if we are now to change fundamentally the plan and purpose of the company, divest it of its coal properties and convert it into a transportation industry alone, we should readjust its financial structure so as to make it conform now to what it would undoubtedly have been except for the conditions which are now to be changed.

Manifestly there can otherwise be no justification for accepting the disadvantages of disposing of our coal properties. To establish for the company a normal and adequate financial structure adapted to the company's changed conditions and its expected growth and expansion as a transportation company only, is an essential part of our plan.

Seeks Working Agreement with Buffalo Rock. & Pitts. Ry.—

See Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry. above.—V. 111, p. 1182.

Denver & Interurban Ry.—Collision.—

Up to 11 persons were killed and from 70 to 100 were injured, some fatally on Sept. 6 in a head-on collision near Globeville, Col., a Denver suburb.—V. 109, p. 676.

Denver & Rio Grande RR.—Stockholders Protective Committee Seeks Extension of Time in Sale of Property.—

The stockholders protective committee, consisting of Jefferson M. Levy, Chairman, A. Hicks Lawrence, C. H. Johnson, E. V. Jaeger on Sept. 18 in a letter to Judge Robert E. Lewis of the U. S. District Court at Denver urged the granting of a temporary stay in the order to sell the property so as to enable the stockholders to present their side of the case.

The U. S. District Court in Denver it is stated, will grant the stockholders the 30 day extension of the time of hearing of a decree of sale of the property asked for if the stockholders will present before Sept. 25 the date set for the hearing, a petition outlining facts with which they say they hope to prevent the decree.

It is announced that a stockholders' meeting will be held at the office of H. Hicks Lawrence, 50 Broad St., on Sept. 29.—See V. 111, p. 1182.

Erie RR.—Offer to Extend \$2,926,000 N. Y. & Erie RR. Bonds.—J. P. Morgan & Co. on behalf of the company have offered to extend the \$2,926,000 N. Y. & Erie RR. 4th Mtge. Extended 5% Bonds from Oct. 1 1920, until Oct. 1 1930, at 5% per annum and will pay \$142.50 per \$1,000 Bond to such holders as present their bonds for extension on or before Sept. 20 1920, thus making the net yield of the extended bonds about 7% per annum.

The extended bonds are subject to redemption at 105% and int. on any int. date on 30 days notice, and interest is to be paid without deduction for any taxes which the company may be permitted or required to pay thereon or to deduct therefrom (except such part of any Federal income tax as may be in excess of 2%).

The present mortgage security is to remain unimpaired. The company announces that it will make provision whereby the coupon due Oct. 1 1920 on bonds presented for extension will be paid at time of presentation with proper income tax certificates.

The N. Y. & Erie RR. was chartered in 1832 to build a railroad across the State of New York, extending from Piermont on the Hudson River to Dunkirk on Lake Erie, a distance of 446 miles. The mortgage under which the 4th Mortgage Extended 5% Bonds was issued was created in 1857 and has never been disturbed in any reorganization. Under this mortgage, which is closed, \$2,926,000 4th Mtge. Ext. 5% bonds are outstanding, being at rate of about \$6.285 per mile. Including \$9,250,000 prior debt on the mileage covered by the lien of these bonds, the total debt, including N. Y. & Erie RR. Co. 4th Mtge. Ext. 5% bonds, is at the rate of about \$26,150 per mile. The amount of bonds outstanding and subsequent to the lien of these bonds, but covering certain other property as well, is \$132,827,000, and the market value of these junior securities, together with that of the 1919 issue of Secured Gold Notes and of the capital stock, is estimated at current quotations at \$103,000,000. Of the 465 miles covered by direct line over 343 miles are double track lines.—Compare V. 111, p. 588, 692,792,895,990.

Geneva Seneca Falls & Auburn RR.—Fare Increase.—

The New York P. S. Commission has authorized the company to charge a fare of 8 cents in Geneva including that part of the interurban line, city line to Lake road, and 8 cents in each of the existing zones. The fare previously was 6 cents. Commutation and school fares and chartered car rates remain unchanged. Book tickets may be sold on the basis of 7 cents for each zone involved. The new fare rates became effective for a year from Sept. 1 and thereafter until otherwise ordered by the commission.—V. 97, p. 298.

Illinois Southern Ry.—May Be JUNKED.—

According to a Chicago dispatch this road with a total of 137 miles of track and a capital stock of \$5,000,000, probably will be junked in the near future. It has been sold at public auction in a foreclosure proceeding, being bid in by W. T. Abbott, Vice-Pres. of Central Trust Co. of Illinois, Chicago, for \$725,000, on behalf of the majority bondholders. About 90% of about \$2,000,000 bonds outstanding are owned by the Chicago Clearing House banks.—V. 111, p. 1183.

Interborough Rapid Transit Co.—Files Brief.—

This company and the New York Municipal Ry. Corp. have filed in the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court briefs in connection with the proceedings started last June to determine whether P. S. Commissioner Lewis Nixon has jurisdiction over the regulation of fares in the subway. When the matter was brought up last June, Commissioner Nixon turned it down as not having authority to take action in the matter.—V. 111, p. 1076, 1083.

International Railway Co., Buffalo.—Collateral Sold.—

The \$2,667,000 Refunding & Impt. 5% gold bonds due Nov. 1 1962, pledged by the United Gas & Electric Engineering Corp. in 1917 to secure \$2,000,000 3-year 6% notes of the International Traction Co. due Aug. 1 1920 (still unpaid) were sold at auction by the Bankers Trust Co., trustee, on Sept. 22 and bought in by the noteholders' protective committee for \$500,000.—V. 111, p. 990.

International Traction Co., Buffalo.—Sale of Collateral. See International Ry. above.—V. 111, p. 1183.

Kansas City Railways.—Receivership.—

In connection with the appointment of Frank C. Niles as temporary receiver on Sept. 9, on the petition of the Kansas City Refining Co., the railway company in a bill of acceptance admitted the following facts as set forth by the Kansas City Refining Co.:

That the company has an authorized capital of \$30,000,000, of which there has been \$100,000 issued and outstanding.

That the company has outstanding more than \$27,508,000 1st Mtge. bonds and \$5,290,000 2d Mtge. bonds, both dated July 1916.

That \$11,590,600 1st Mtge. bonds have been pledged to secure gold notes totaling \$8,500,000, of which \$1,000,000 are not paid, although due.

That the company defaulted in the payment of the interest due upon the 1st Mtge. bonds on Jan. 1 1920, and again on July 1 1920.

That it defaulted in the payment of the interest on the 2d Mtge. bonds and secured gold notes, which defaults have continued more than 60 days and are still unpaid.

That 2,000 suits are now pending in the various courts in which damages to the extent of \$20,000,000 are asked and that the company will be without means to meet judgments recovered in such suits.

That the railway has current liabilities in excess of \$5,500,000, represented by notes payable for materials, equipment, taxes, and supplies for \$2,230,000; vouchers payable for the same, \$625,000; accounts payable for the same, \$110,000; wages due employees, \$400,000; moneys due to city for Twenty-third St. viaduct, \$190,000, and accrued and matured interest, \$2,000,000.

That judgments which have not been satisfied are now in the courts of Missouri and Kansas against the company totaling approximately \$800,000, which include judgments rendered in the recent term of the Circuit Court for \$180,000.

That there is an additional several million dollars of indebtedness arising from the default of the first and second mortgage interest payments.

That there is danger that the lines of the company may be broken up and operated separately.

That the cities through which the lines run are making claims for large amounts of capital expenditures, totaling nearly \$1,000,000, which cannot be obtained.

The "Electric Railway Journal" of Sept. 18 gives further details about the receivership, together with details of the company's application to the Missouri P. S. Commission for an increase in fares to 9 or possibly 10 cents cash with 3 tickets for 25 cents.—V. 111, p. 1083.

Kansas City Mex. & Orient Ry.—Receiver's Certificates.

The I.-S. C. Commission has approved the application of the receiver for authority to issue and sell \$1,000,000 of receiver's certificates maturing Dec. 1 1920.—V. 111, p. 1183, 1083.

Lehigh Valley RR.—Employees Purchase Stock.—

According to Pres. E. E. Loomis about 1,000 employees of all classes have purchased an average of 4.4 shares of the company's stock apiece since they were offered the opportunity to subscribe for it on the installment plan a short while ago. See also Morris Canal & Banking Co. under "Industrials" below.—V. 111, p. 792, 1183.

Louisville (Ky.) Railway.—No Action on Franchise.—

The "Electric Railway Journal" states that there have been no further developments of real interest in the company's fight for higher fares. The proposed solution of the "Round Table Club" did not get anywhere. The company has also withdrawn its ordinance before the City Council.—V. 111, p. 1083.

Manhattan & Queens Traction Co.—Resumes Service.—

Following the instructions issued by Deputy P. S. Commissioner Alfred N. Barrett, the receiver on Sept. 18 notified the P. S. Commission that the lines (which have been closed down about four weeks, alleging that the revenue derived from 5-cent fares is insufficient) would resume operation in the shortest possible time and at a 5-cent fare.

The company has petitioned the Commission for permission to increase its fares from 5 to 13 cents.—V. 111, p. 792.

Memphis Dallas & Gulf RR.—Receivership.—

On the petition of four St. Louis banks which claim to hold obligations of the company in excess of \$200,000, Martin Walsh, Vice-Pres. & Gen. Mgr. of the road, was appointed receiver on Sept. 10 by Judge Youmans in the U. S. District Court at Fort Smith, Ark. The road, which operates between Hot Springs, Ark., and Ashdown, 130 miles, has suspended operations indefinitely, as all train crews quit work on Sept. 1 as a result of a 10% cut in wages.—V. 108, p. 1610.

National Properties Co.—First Installment of Assessment Called.—

The holders of the 4-6% bonds have received notice that under the terms of the reorganization plan (V. 111, p. 189, 483) the first payment of 50% of the \$17.50 per \$100 assessment on the face value of the bonds shall be paid on or before Oct. 5, and remaining 50% on or before Nov. 1 1920.

Phila. "News Bureau" states in substance: As to the report of Day & Zimmerman, engineers, who made an investigation at the instigation of the committee, addressed to Evan Randolph, Chairman, the bondholders' protective committee says "This report, in the opinion of your committee, conclusively shows that unless the plan approved by them is carried out and the money paid to the American Railway Co. in the future, a receivership of that company is inevitable and a consequent disastrous disintegration of that company will result; thus destroying the value of the sole security for your bonds."

The report presents figures and other financial data, but the accountants state that their work "has not embraced an examination of the physical properties or earnings of the underlying companies, nor their requirements for working capital, additions, betterments, renewals or deferred maintenance."

It is shown that according to the balance sheet of the American Railway Co. and subsidiaries current liabilities are \$6,955,627, exceeding current assets by \$4,183,515. Accounts payable overdue June 30 aggregated at least \$700,000 and notes payable on demand and notes past date of maturity amounted to more than \$1,750,000. The exchange of \$3,500,000 5-year 8% gold notes takes care of that amount of indebtedness to the banks and the \$17.50 cash assessment on the 4-6% National Properties bonds provides \$900,000 to satisfy merchandise creditors.

Earnings for 6 months were \$9,514,985 gross and \$325,666 in excess of fixed charges.

In concluding, the report says: "It is manifest from the foregoing figures that the plan carried out as contemplated will result in the payment of all overdue accounts payable, the refunding of all notes payable for a period of 5 years (which refunding is contingent upon the carrying out of the plan) and will provide approximately \$200,000 additional cash for appropriation to current accounts payable. This, it is reasonable to suppose will stabilize

the general commercial credit of the company at present and save it from the threatened imminent attack of its general creditors. The permanent success of the plan must depend upon a variety of factors to which we have given no consideration."—V. 111, p. 1183.

National Railways of Mexico.—To Return Roads.—

A dispatch from Mexico City states that the commission appointed to arrange for the return of the road to its owners has begun its labors, and it is said favorable progress is being made. It is expected the return to private ownership will be completed toward the end of the year or about the time Gen. Obregon enters office as President. The road is being operated but that is all that can be said for it. Everything is badly out of repair and the passenger coaches are wrecks. It will take more than \$5,000,000 to repair the damage done to the railroad property. Where the money is to come from no one knows, although all hope is fastened upon an American loan.

The general increase of 25% on freight rates by the National Railways came into force on Sept. 1, except to competitive points on the Mexican Railway, including Mexico City via Vera Cruz. Foreign goods consigned to Mexico City via Vera Cruz are not affected.—V. 111, p. 189.

New Orleans Texas & Mexico Ry.—Interest.—

The usual semi-annual 2½% will be paid Oct. 1 on the 5% non-Cumulative Income bonds, Series "A" due 1935.—V. 110, p. 2564.

New York New Haven & Hartford RR.—To Refund \$60,000,000 owed the Government for 10 years at 6%.—To create New Mortgage to be used as Security for Government Loans and other Purposes—New Equipment Note Issue Proposed.—The stockholders will vote Oct. 11 on the following propositions:

(1) To consider and act upon a proposed issue of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness for the purpose of either funding or refunding the company's indebtedness or both, for providing funds for additions, betterments and extensions, or for any other lawful purpose, and of securing the same by either mortgage or pledge or both, of a part of all of the company's rights, franchises and real and personal property now owned or hereafter acquired.

(2) To consider and act upon a proposed issue of notes, debentures, certificates or other evidences of indebtedness for the purpose of acquiring new equipment by means of an equipment trust or otherwise, and to this end to consider and act upon any necessary modification or amendment of the vote of the company passed April 21 1920, having relation to the acquiring of new equipment and the issuance of the company's obligations therefor.

(3) To consider and act upon a proposition to amend the vote passed by the stockholders on April 21 1920, by extending the term of the loan to be obtained from the United States under Section 210 of the Transportation Act, 1920, from 5 years to not exceeding 15 years.

Data from Letter of Pres. E. J. Pearson, New Haven, Sept. 20 1920!

When the President of the United States took possession and control of the road on Jan. 1 1918, the company had a floating debt of \$44,000,000 which became due April 15 1918. It proposed at that time to pay this debt by means of an issue of 7% Preferred stock authorized on Oct. 27 1917, and was duly offered to shareholders for subscription. (V. 106, p. 1231).

On Mar. 21 1918, the Congress passed the Federal Control Act, under which the issue of any new securities required the approval of the Director General of Railroads, who declined to approve the proposed issue of preferred stock and in lieu thereof agreed to loan to the company the amount of the debt, \$43,964,000, for two years with interest at 6% per annum. (V. 106, p. 1344).

You authorized the making of this loan April 17 1918. This loan which was reduced to \$43,026,500 became due April 15 1920, and since then has been held by the Secretary of the Treasury as a demand obligation.

During the period of Federal control, Jan. 1 1918, to Feb. 29 1920, the Director General expended upon your property for additions, betterments and improvements, not including new equipment, approximately \$17,000,000. The total amount that company owed the Government on Sept. 1 1920, cannot be stated exactly, but it is probably roughly \$66,000,000.

Under the provisions of the Transportation Act, the U. S. Government is authorized to refund this debt for a period not exceeding 10 years, with interest at 6% p. a., provided security is furnished that is satisfactory to the Director General. The Director General has stated that the company must furnish its mortgage bonds.

Inasmuch as the company has no general mortgage upon its property it is proposed that a suitable mortgage be made properly protecting all bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness previously issued and now outstanding of which the company is the maker or which it has assumed through merger or consolidation with the original maker. The proposed mortgage will authorize not only the issue of bonds to take care of \$66,000,000 (the estimated amount due the Government), but also bonds to secure such amounts as may be advanced pursuant to the application for loan from the United States authorized April 21 1920, so that the company's plans for additions, betterments and any other improvements necessary to give adequate service to the public and to increase the earning capacity of your property may be carried out. It provides for refunding of the company's indebtedness as it matures from time to time and also authorizes future issues of bonds at such times as they may be advantageously sold on the market to provide funds for additions and betterments.

The proposed mortgage is not to be for a fixed amount but a maximum is set beyond which no issue of bonds may be made. It is provided in the mortgage that the amount of bonds which at any time may be issued and outstanding is limited to an amount, which, together with all other outstanding bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness, of which the company is the maker or which it has assumed, shall not exceed twice the amount of Capital stock plus twice the amount of the premiums heretofore paid and set up in the balance sheet as prescribed by the I. S. C. Commission but no bonds can be issued without the approval of the Commission and any other authorities having jurisdiction.

Your Directors believe that the proposed mortgage protects the interest of the company and of its security holders and that it provides a most desirable method of refunding the present large floating debt of the company for a period of 10 years at 6% per annum, a rate that is much lower than can be obtained from any other source, even if the money could be obtained at all.—V. 100, p. 000.

[The company has applied to the I. S. C. Commission for authority: (a) to execute \$2,000,000 6 months 7% promissory notes to cover a loan of \$2,000,000 which was used to purchase equipment; (b) Issue \$2,800,000 equipment trust notes of which \$2,000,000 are to be pledged with bankers for the first loan of \$2,000,000; (c) to execute promissory demand notes totalling \$8,130,000. Compare V. 111, p. 1183.

New York Railways.—Realty to be Sold.—

Judge Mayer in the U. S. District Court on Sept. 17 entered a final decree ordering the receiver to sell at public auction certain parts of the real estate belonging to the company to satisfy claims for defaults under the First & Ref. Real Estate Mtge. Proceeds from the sale are to be deposited with the Guaranty Trust Co., trustee under the mortgage.

An upset price of \$2,500,000 is put on parcel A, which contains the entire block between 32d and 33d Sts. and 4th and Lexington Aves.; parcel B comprising 711 to 717 East 11th St.; parcel C, most of the frontage between East 10th and East 11th St., Ave. C and Dry Dock St.; parcel D, the block front on the west side of Madison Ave. between 85th and 86th Sts., and parcel E, a plot between Broad and Moore Sts., consisting of a storage warehouse building on a plot.—V. 111, p. 1084, 793.

New York State Rys.—Syracuse Street Railway Commission Recommends Service-at-Cost—Valuation of Property in City Set at \$12,690,000.—

In a final report filed on Sept. 18 the Syracuse Street Railway Commission recommends the adoption of a service at cost plan of street railway operation, entailing control of all trolley service by the city and regulation of fares on a sliding scale, beginning with a 10-cent cash fare and a 7½-cent ticket fare. The plan also involves an extra charge for transfers and an extra charge for "owl car," or after midnight service.

The principal recommendations of the Commission are:

(1) That while the transportation facilities furnished by the New York State Rys. in Syracuse are on a par with those of other cities of the same size, improvements in these facilities can and should be made.

(2) That the fair valuation of the property of the company used and useful in the operation of the Syracuse lines is \$12,415,000, to which should be

added the sum of \$275,000 working capital to be deposited in a "fare regulation fund" and the total amount upon which the company is entitled to a fair and equitable return is the sum of \$12,690,000.

(3) That additional capital in an estimated amount of from \$1,000,000 to \$1,250,000 is required in order to provide sufficient additional equipment and transportation facilities to give adequate street railway service.

(4) That the return the company now receives is not a fair and just return upon the property used and devoted to public service.

(5) That 6% as a minimum is a fair and just return upon the property actually used and useful in the operation of the Syracuse lines, which per cent should be susceptible of increase under certain compensating conditions.

(6) That a modification of the present system of fares and transfers and control of the Syracuse lines is necessary in order to provide adequate service to the public, just return to the company and proper control by city. The complete text of the findings may be found in the Syracuse "Post" of Sept. 19.—V. 111, p. 990.

Northern Ohio Traction & Light Co.—New Franchise.

According to the "Electric Railway Journal," the proposed new franchise to be granted the company is practically completed. It provides for service at cost. The city will guarantee the company 7% return on the valuation of the railway property, which is to be determined by the city and the company jointly. The initial fare will be 5 cents, but this will be increased from time to time if it is shown that additional fare is needed to pay the 7% and also to carry out other provisions.—V. 111, p. 793.

Ohio Traction Co.—Annual Report.—

See Cincinnati Traction Co. under "Fin. Reports" above.—V. 110, p. 562

Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Ry.—Wage Controversy.

The trainmen's union has filed an appeal in the Nebraska Supreme Court against the recent decision of the Railway Commission denying the men an increase in wages of 13 cents an hour above the present scale of 53 to 57 cents an hour.—V. 111, p. 1084.

Pennsylvania RR.—New Certificates Ready.—

The Treasurer of the company at 85 Cedar St., N. Y. City, is ready to deliver definitive 10-year 7% bonds, dated April 1 1920, on surrender of the interim certificates now held.

Application has been made to the New York Stock Exchange to list \$50,000,000 5% Secured bonds due April 1 1930.

Howard Heinz, Pres. of H. J. Heinz Co., and former Federal food Director of Pennsylvania, has been elected a director succeeding Percival Roberts.—V. 111, p. 793.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.—Higher Fares or Bankruptcy—Deficit Increased.—Pres. Mitten in a statement before the Transportation and Public Utility Committee of the Phila. City Council said in part:

"Under the terms of the 1907 agreement, fares may be changed from time to time, but only with the consent of both parties. Acting under this provision, the P. R. T. has petitioned the city to assent to the collection of a straight 5-cent fare without transfers or exchange tickets; this is a measure of temporary relief, to continue until the value of the company's property for rate-making purposes can be finally determined as required by law. The full inventory of the P. R. T.'s property will be ready for presentation to the P. S. Commission Sept. 23, the pricing of the parts is as yet incomplete, but can be accomplished with sufficient rapidity to keep ahead of the city and P. S. Commission representatives, so that there need be no delay."

"Meantime, the P. R. T. must have more money or go to the wall. P. R. T.'s operating statement, just made public, shows a deficit of \$425,354 for August and an accumulated deficit of \$1,151,628 for the eight months ended Aug. 31. The operating deficit for the next twelve months will exceed \$4,000,000 against which the straight 5-cent fare increase without transfers or exchanges is estimated to bring in about \$350,000 per month."—V. 111, p. 1183.

Pittsburgh (Okla.) County Ry.—Wage Increase.—

Wage increases ranging from 26 to 40%, and affecting all employees except office men, have been granted by the company.—V. 109, p. 677.

Port Wentworth Terminal Corp.—May Issue Conv. Bonds.

It is understood that the company intends to create an authorized issue of \$2,000,000 1st Mtge. Profit Sharing Sinking Fund 8% Convertible Gold bonds, to be dated Oct. 1 1920 and due Oct. 1 1950, of which it intends to presently issue \$1,000,000. The bonds are to be callable at 125, all or part, upon 30 days' notice. Bondholders, it is stated, may elect to convert their bonds on any interest date into real estate on the basis of the principal amount of bonds in real estate at prices stipulated for various parcels, the location of real estate to be at the option of the company. If the \$1,000,000 are sold it is understood that the proceeds of \$500,000 will be used to pay off the present outstanding \$500,000 7% notes due Oct. 1.

The Savannah & Atlanta Ry. owns the entire \$500,000 Pref. and 5,000 shares of Common stock and the earnings of the Terminal Company are largely merged with those of the railway company which owns and operates the terminal.—V. 106, p. 296.

Quebec Ry. Light Heat & Power Co.—Earnings.—

June 30 Years	1920	1919	1918
Gross earnings	\$2,373,034	\$2,077,621	\$1,797,852
Oper. expenses	1,769,563	1,444,516	1,235,724
Net earnings	\$602,671	\$633,105	\$562,128
Other income	647,374	Cr. 27,722	Cr. 230,088
Less fixed charges		726,101	696,909
Balance	def.\$44,703	def.\$65,273	sur.\$95,307

—V. 110, p. 562.

Richmond Fredericksburg & Potomac RR.—New Pres.

Eppa Hunton, Jr. has been elected President to succeed the late William H. White.—V. 111, p. 1084, 793.

St. Louis & Hannibal RR.—Road Bought.—

The company has withdrawn its petition made to the Missouri P. S. Commission in May 1919 for permission to abandon the entire system, embracing about 100 miles, and scrap the entire road. George A. Mahan, Hannibal, attorney for the company, stated that the property has been sold to John Ringling (one of the brothers who owns Ringling Bros. Circus), who intends to improve the property and operate it. It is said that the operation of the line has been a losing proposition for some years.—V. 108, p. 2123.

Savannah & Atlanta Ry.—Sub. Company Bonds.—

See Port Wentworth Terminal Corp. above.—V. 110, p. 1090.

Savanna (Ga.) Electric Co.—Wage Increase.—

Effective Sept. 1, motormen and conductors received an increase in wages of from 3 to 4 cents an hour, bringing the maximum wage up to 41 and 46 cents an hour.—V. 111, p. 295.

Shore Line Elec. Ry. (Conn.)—Line May Be Restored.

The "Electric Railway Journal" states that the part of the road from New Haven to Flanders, about 44 miles, recently sold for junk, may be saved from the junk pile by citizens along the line who became concerned when the actual operation of tearing up the tracks began. The citizens are proposing to form an organization to buy the property and have it operated by the Connecticut Co., New Haven Division. Options have been secured from the present owners of the "junk" on about 16 miles of the line at about \$10,000 per mile. Negotiations are fast proceeding toward restoration of service, and the Connecticut Co. has agreed to operate the line at cost plus a fixed sum for management and operating charges.—V. 111, p. 1084.

Southern Pacific Co.—Pre-War Schedule.—

The company has announced that its Morgan Line of steamers would henceforth operate on a pre-war service schedule with regular sailings from New York to Galveston every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and from New York to New Orleans on Wednesday and Saturday, with corresponding regular departures in the opposite direction. The Southern Pacific line comprises 16 steamers with an average capacity of 140 carloads each.—V. 111, p. 1184.

Spokane & Eastern Ry. & Power Co.—Wage Increase.

The company has granted its employees wage increases of from \$12.50 to \$17.50 a month retroactive to Sept. 1. The increase will amount to \$100,000 annually.

The Washington P. S. Commission has permitted the company effective Sept. 26 to increase its interurban passenger rates 20%. The company increased its freight rates on Aug. 26.—V. 110, p. 1189.

Staten Island Midland RR.—Service Resumed.

It is stated that the first trolley car to be put into operation for passenger service on the company's line, which suspended in January, was started on Sept. 20 at the old rate of 5 cents.—V. 111, p. 991.

Toledo Railways & Light Co.—To Vote on Ordinances.

The Toledo City Council, it is stated, will on Sept. 27 pass the Milner service-at-cost and the twin municipal ownership ordinances, so as to place them before the electorate at the general election Nov. 2. The municipal ownership was defeated by over 4,000 votes on Aug. 10.—V. 111, p. 1084.

Union Traction Co., Phila.—Sub-Committee.

The following sub-committee has been appointed to confer with the committee of Philadelphia Rapid Transit directors relative to obtaining the consent of the Union Traction Co. to the proposed issue of \$6,000,000 equipment trust notes.

The sub-committee comprises Chas. Heed, Chas. McManus, Arthur V. Morton and Joseph Gilfillan. Mr. Gilfillan is credited with saying that neither the committee, the Union Traction Co. nor its stockholders would consider or even discuss any question of reduction of rentals.—V. 111, p. 1184, 974.

United Rys. of the Havana & Regla Warehouses.

Merger Plan.—London "Economist" of Sept. 4 says in subst.:

A circular has been issued to the shareholders, pointing out that in 1911, the company acquired a large interest in the Western Ry. of Havana, Ltd., and at present holds nearly 99% of the entire capital. In 1913, a large interest was also acquired in the Cuban Central Rys., Ltd., and to-day the company holds 99% of the Ordinary shares and 50% of the Preference shares.

The directors now propose to absorb these two undertakings, and, with this end in view, meetings of the Western and Cuban Central Railways are being convened, at which schemes for the absorption will be submitted for approval as follows:

Holders for Each Nominal £100 Will Receive of United Railways

Of Cuban Central 5½% Pref. shares—£110 5% Cum. Pref. shares
do Ordinary shares—£71 10s. in Ordinary capital
Western Railways shares—£71 10s. in Ordinary capital.

Cuban Central 5% Debentures will be raised to a 5¼% basis, with redemption at or below par, instead of at 110, and interest on the Western Debentures will be raised from 4½% to 4¾%.

[The London Stock Exchange report as outstanding and listed (a) of Cuban Central £120,000 5½% Pref. shares, £703,400 4½% Mtge. debentures, and £1,178,000 5% debenture stock (b) of Western Railways of Havana £590,000 4½% Deb. stock.

The London Stock Exchange has granted an official quotation to £4,369,036 additional 5% Irredeemable debenture stock of 1906 of the United Railways. There are now listed in London (a) £6,536,380 Ordinary stock, (b) £2,786,671 Pref. stock, (c) £6,037,538 5% Irredeem. Deb. stock, (d) £628,558 4% Deb. stock, (e) £652,897 4% Deb. stock and (f) £965,663 4½% Deb. stock, these last four items from part of a £10,960,000 authorization.—Ed. "Chronicle."—V. 111, p. 991.

United Rys. Co. of St. Louis.—To Refund Bonds.

Rolla Wells, receiver, it is reported, has offered the holders of the \$1,948,000 4½% bonds of the St. Louis R. R., which fell due May 1 1920, the option of having them exchanged for three-year receiver's certificates bearing 7% interest. Under the terms of the mortgage the period of grace allowed before foreclosure proceedings may be instituted expires Nov. 1.

Several bondholders it is said are not inclined to favor the plan because the receiver proposes to pay only 4½% interest upon the bonds for the 6 months' period of grace whereas the legal rate calls for 6% for the defaulted period. The bondholders, it is said, also contend that the interest rate on the receiver's certificates should bear 8%.—V. 111, p. 1184.

Western New York & Pennsylvania Trac. Co.—Wages.

Effective Sept. 1 employees in car service on the company's lines received a raise in wages amounting to 5 cents an hour. Carmen in passenger service receive from 43 to 48 cents an hour now and new men in freight service the same. Older men in freight work get 50 cents an hour.—V. 110, p. 1850.

West Virginia Traction & Electric Co.—Fare Increase.

The West Virginia P. U. Commission recently authorized the company to raise the fare in each of the four zones between Elm Grove, W. Va., and West Alexander, Pa., from 6 cents to 7 cents.—V. 110, p. 2293.

INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

General Industrial and Public Utility News.—The following table summarizes recent industrial and public utility news of a general character, particulars regarding which are commonly to be found on a preceding page under the caption "Current Events and Discussions" (if not in the "Editorial Department"), either concurrently or as early as practicable after the matter becomes public.

Marked Changes in Prices, Mostly Downward (Compare "Current Events," &c., above)—(a) Automobiles, see Ford Motor Co. and Franklin Mfg. Co. below. (b) Department stores, see Montgomery Ward & Co., Sears, Roebuck & Co. below. (c) Cotton goods, see Amoskeag Mfg. Co. below. (d) Copper for Sept. and Oct. deliveries reduced from 19 (nominal) to 18½¢ per lb. on Sept. 24 by leading selling agencies. (e) Wheat, corn, cotton, sugar, coffee, &c., decline; see "Commercial Epitome" below. (f) Milk higher, see "Wall Street Journal" Sept. 18, Boston "News Bureau" Sept. 23, N. Y. "Evening Post" Sept. 22 and N. Y. "Times" Sept. 19, Sec. 2, p. 1. (g) Crude oil advances in Kentucky 25¢ a bbl. (h) Food at wholesale drops 12% in August; see Govt. report in N. Y. "Times" of Sept. 19, Sec. 1, p. 10. (i) Downward trend in many lines, N. Y. "Times" of Sept. 24, p. 1 & 2. (j) Retail coal prices up about \$2 a ton, N. Y. "Evening Sun" Sept. 20. (k) Pipe line rates increased, effective Sept. 10 in midcontinent field.

Anthracite Miners Generally Returning to Work—British Coal Strike Deferred Sept. 24.—See "Current Events" above.

Miscellaneous.—(a) Iowa miners on Sept. 22 vote to accept wage contract signed Sept. 7. (b) Coal operators said to fear no famine, N. Y. "Eve. Sun" Sept. 23, p. 3. (c) More troops sent to Alabama coal field, N. Y. "Times," sec. 1, p. 12. (d) Strike begun May 1 by journeymen plumbers, men to get \$10 for 8-hour day. (e) Five housing bills passed by N. Y. Legislature on Sept. 23. (f) 15% wage increase at Cohoes, N. Y.; N. Y. "Eve. Post" Sept. 23. (k) Heavy immigration, N. Y. "Times" Sept. 24. (l) Belgian orders for German freight cars (report of Am. Consul at Brussels July 29). (m) Machinists strike, see Am. Can. Co. below. (n) Open shop victory in Cincinnati, see "Iron Age" Sept. 23, p. 812. (o) "Nation Savings to Open Shop" see "Iron Trade Review" of Cleveland for Sept. 23 (7 pages). (p) Unemployment gains steadily, "Iron Trade Review" Sept. 23, p. 271.

Matters Treated Fully in "Chronicle" of Sept. 81.—(a) Commercial insolvencies, p. 1112. (b) Gold and silver production in 1919, p. 1112. (c) British and Italian labor matters, p. 1113 to 1115 and p. 1147. (d) Cotton loans, prices, &c., p. 1138-9. (e) Commission rates on Phila. Stock Exch., p. 1141. (f) Live stock industry, p. 1141. (g) Changes in living cost 1914-20, p. 1142. (h) Refusal to reopen anthracite wage award, p. 1142 to 1144. (i) Mexican oil matters, p. 1146. (j) Mexican decree as to mining taxes, p. 1147. (k) Income tax ruling, p. 1148 to 1150.

Aetna Iron & Steel Co.—Receiver Appointed.

The Peoples Trust Co., Muncie, Ind., was appointed receiver on Sept. 17 for the company in the Lake Circuit Court at Crown Point, Ind., in a suit brought by about 17 stockholders asking an accounting for \$175,000 assets. The company was organized about a year ago with Chester E. Wirt as President, and several Gary steel men as stockholders.

Allen Motor Co.—Reorganization Approved.

A majority of the stockholders on Sept. 17 approved a plan for the reorganization of the company and the lifting of the Federal receivership. The plan includes the raising of \$500,000 cash by the stockholders. Creditors to the extent of \$1,400,000 have agreed to waive their claims for one year and banks representing about \$500,000 have indorsed the plan. At the meeting more than \$100,000 it is stated was subscribed by present stockholders, seeking to assist in lifting the receivership.—V. 111, p. 190.

American Agricultural Chemical Co.—New Officers, &c.

Horace Bowker and J. D. Cameron Bradley have been elected Vice-Presidents; George B. Burton, a Vice-President, has been made First Vice-President, and James A. Starrett, Secretary. Regular quarterly dividends of 2% on the Common and 1¼% on the Pref. stock have been declared payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Oct. 1.—V. 111, p. 984.

American Can Co.—Machinists' Strike.

The "Iron Trade Review" of Cleveland, of Sept. 23, says: "The International Association of Machinists has called a nation-wide strike of machinists employed in the various plants of the company. The company has 55 plants in as many cities, about one-third of them being open shop and not affected by the strike, while in the others agreements have been made with union machinists covering wages and working conditions. About a year ago, a machine shop at Newark, N. J., was opened to manufacture can-making machinery, and this plant was begun as an open shop. The International association has made efforts to unionize the Newark shop, and failing has called out on sympathetic strike the union machinists from all those plants where agreements were in force. In Indianapolis 450 machinists walked out. The company has decided to operate all its plants henceforth as open shops."—V. 111, p. 1185.

American Cyanamid Co.—Injunction Dissolved.

Treasurer C. M. Grant, under date of Sept. 17, in a notice to the Preferred stockholders offering to purchase 23,983 shares of the Preferred stock (30%) at \$60 per share (V. 111, p. 794, 893), states: "The mailing of this notice has been delayed by a temporary injunction at the instance of one small stockholder, which injunction has just been dissolved."

The suit to restrain the company from issuing the notice was brought by Charles H. Baker. Compare V. 111, p. 794, 893, 898, 992, 1185.

American Lace Mfg. Co.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 2% has been declared on the capital stock, together with a quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 15.—V. 98, p. 1539.

American Piano Co.—5% Stock Dividend.

An extra dividend of 5% in stock has been declared on the Common stock in addition to a quarterly cash dividend of 1¼%, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 25. A like amount was paid extra in stock in January, April and July last.—V. 110, p. 2659.

American Rolling Mill Co.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the Common stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share, both payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Sept. 30. A like amount was paid extra in July last. In January last a stock distribution of 5% was made. Extras of 25 cents have been paid quarterly from Jan. 1918 to Oct. 1919, inclusive.—V. 111, p. 591.

American Safety Razor Corp.—New Director.

L. Montefiore Stein, of Stein-Alstrin & Co., Chicago, has been elected a director.—V. 110, p. 2194.

American Seeding-Machine Co.—New President, &c.

Frank C. Johnson, former Vice-President, has been elected President succeeding James A. Carr who becomes Chairman of the board.—V. 110, p. 2659.

American Shipbuilding Co.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 2¼% has been declared on the Common stock in addition to the usual quarterly dividend of 1¼%, both payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 15. Extra dividends of like amount have been paid quarterly since Feb. 1919.—V. 110, p. 2659.

American Ship & Commerce Corp.—Court Order, &c.

Justice Lehman on Sept. 22 signed an order requiring Kerr SS. Co., Inc., to furnish a bond of \$350,000 to protect the interests of the Kerr Navigation Corp. under his recent decision. The bond is to secure prompt payment to the Kerr Navigation Corp. all moneys due it by the Kerr Steamship Co., Inc., now or hereafter. Also to secure payment of damages to ships that may be improperly used.

See also Kerr Navigation Corp. and Shawmut Steamship Co. below.—V. 111, p. 1184.

American Ship & Commerce Nav. Corp.—New Name.

See Kerr Navigation Corp. below.—V. 110, p. 2190.

American Tube & Stamping Co.—Bonds Called.

Ten (\$10,000) First Mtge. 5% 30-year gold bonds of 1902 have been called for redemption Oct. 1 at 105 and int. at the Equitable Trust Co., 37 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 104, p. 1146.

Amoskeag Manufacturing Co.—Reduces Prices.

The company on Sept. 23 announced a reduction of 33 1-3% in the price of manufactured cotton goods. The company, which employs 10,000 operatives in its cotton departments and has a weekly production of 4,000,000 yards of cotton, took the step to forestall a condition similar to that in the woolen departments, unsettled by heavy cancellations of orders.—V. 110, p. 2194.

Auburn (Ind.) Automobile Co.—Common Div. No. 2.

A dividend of \$1 per share (4%) has been declared on the outstanding 30,000 shares of Common stock, par \$25, together with the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼% on the Pref. stock, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20. On July 1 last an initial dividend of 8% was paid on the Common stock.—V. 110, p. 2659.

Autocar Company, Ardmore, Pa.—Stock Subscribed.

The \$800,000 Capital stock recently offered at par (\$100 per share), it is stated, has all been subscribed.—V. 111, p. 495, 992.

Autosales Corporation.—Earnings.

Results for Six Months ended June 30 and Three Months ended March 31 1920.

	6 Mos.	3 Mos.
Net profits	\$67,882	\$43,843
Preferred dividend	39,795	39,795

Balance, surplus \$28,087 \$4,048

Profit and loss \$301,576 \$277,789

—V. 111, p. 390.

Baldwin Co., Cincinnati.—Capital Increase.

The company has filed notice increasing its capital from \$2,800,000 to \$6,000,000.—Compare V. 111, p. 992, 986.

Batopilas Mining Co.—Official Statement—Bonds.

President Francis D. Merchant, 47 Cedar St., N. Y., in circular dated Sept. 9 1920, says in brief:

"In Sept. 1913 our Gen. Mgr. and other American employees were called out of Mexico by the U. S. Department of State through the U. S. Consul at Chihuahua. In Aug. 1914 an edict from the office of the Governor of Chihuahua declared that all mines not fully operated by their owners on Sept. 1 would be declared open for denunciation. The Gen. Mgr. with several American employees returned to Batopilas and carried on some work until again notified by the Department of State to leave for the United States, having been in Batopilas about one year.

"During the absence of the American employees it was necessary to allow the Mexican miners to work the mines on shares under supervision of our Mexican employees, as the people were starving and threatened to enter and work the mines. During the years 1916, 1917, 1918 and part of 1919 the company's one-third share of the product barely sufficed to cover the expense of supervision and guarding its properties.

"In April 1919 the company, taking advantage of the increase in value of silver, shipped the silver bullion obtained from its one-third of the share-

workers' product to the United States and introduced Mexican gold to pay its employees. In Dec. 1919 Gen. Mgr. John R. Harbottle returned alone to Batopilas and renovated the cyanide plant and has shipped out monthly small amounts of silver, the result of working up the low-grade ores and concentrates that had accumulated, as well as the company's one-third of the ores received from the shareworkers.

"The company has outstanding \$366,500 1st Mtge. 6% bonds. These matured Dec. 1 1917, but the holders of 89% have agreed to another ten years extension. The remaining 11% is principally held by estates and trustees. The interest on the bonds has been paid to Dec. 1 1917, and the company hopes to make further payment during the present year.

"The attitude of the Carranza Government was inimical to the development of foreign-owned properties, with absolutely no protection for our employees and properties, our taxes were enormously increased. The former Mexican Government had encouraged the acquisition of large holdings by a reduction in taxes. As a result of the various Carranza edicts, accompanied by threats of forfeiture, the company has been compelled to relinquish some of its holdings which had been acquired under its contract with the Mexican Government, which specified that 100 mining claims (of about 2½ acres each) should be taken up each year. As the mining taxes were increased from 3 pesos per year on each claim to 18 pesos it became necessary to give up the unproductive claims, reserving only those properties that have produced silver in the past or that gave indications of being of value, including most of the original mines held, prior to the contract mentioned.

"Mining taxes and taxes on water power have been paid to date. Aside from the bond interest past due, the company has funds to more than cover all current liabilities."—V. 101, p. 1808.

Bayuk Brothers, Inc., Phila.—Additional Pref. Stock.

We are informed that on Aug. 26 the company sold an additional \$150,000 Pref. stock so that the total outstanding is now \$1,000,000. The original underwriters of the \$850,000 stock were John Nickerson Jr., New York, S. B. Lewis & Co., Phila., Girvin & Miller and Strassburger & Co., San Francisco. Compare V. 111, p. 1185.

Second quarterly dividends of 2% on the First Pref. and Second Pref. stocks have been declared, payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Oct. 1.—V. 111, p. 1185.

Bethlehem Steel Co.—Equipment Trusts Sold.—Guaranty Trust Co. and Bankers Trust Co., New York, have sold at 94½ and div., to yield about 7½%, \$20,000,000 15-Year 7% Marine Equip. Trust Certificates; to be issued under the Philadelphia plan. (See advt. pages.)

Dated Oct. 1 1920, due Oct. 1 1935. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Dividend warrants payable A. & O. at Guaranty Trust Co., New York. Red. at any time on 20 days' notice at 102½ and dividend.

Red. by purchase or by call lot if not obtainable at not exceeding call price, at the rate of \$1,000,000 on or before each div. date from April 1 1922 to Oct. 1 1927, incl., and \$500,000 on or before each div. date thereafter until maturity; these amounts to be ratably reduced if certificates are red. in advance of schedule. Certificates so retired to be canceled. Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, trustee.

Data Furnished Bankers by Bethlehem Steel Co. and Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd.

Five steamships of 20,000 deadweight tons each, to be constructed, and five steamships already constructed, totaling 52,417 deadweight tons (all less than three years old and one of which has just been delivered). This fleet, aggregating about 152,417 deadweight tons (valued at \$30,000,000), will be employed for the transportation of ore from the Bethlehem iron mines in Chile and Cuba for use in Bethlehem Steel Co.'s plants. All ships are so constructed as to provide for efficiently carrying other commodities, thus substantially increasing their earning power through return cargoes.

Title to these ships is to be vested in the trustee or its ninee, and they are to be chartered to Bethlehem Steel Co., which will pay charter hire in semi-annual installments that will cover dividend warrants and retire the entire issue by maturity. These charter payments will be guaranteed by Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp., Ltd., thus placing behind these certificates the strength and credit of substantially the entire Bethlehem system.

The trust agreement and charter will provide that if at any time after completion and delivery of the ships to be constructed the depreciated value (calculated upon the then current reproduction cost new of similar tonnage, less depreciation at the rate of 5% per annum from the respective dates of construction) of the ships held falls below 150% of the amount of then outstanding certificates in excess of deposited cash, Bethlehem Steel Co. will agree to maintain this margin by the delivery of additional ships or by pledge of U. S. Government obligations, or Bethlehem Steel Corporation's Consolidated Mortgage bonds or certain underlying bonds, or other securities which shall be legal investment for trustees in New York, all such securities to be taken at their market value.

Pending completion and delivery of the ships about to be constructed, Bethlehem Steel Co. will agree to maintain the above-mentioned margin of 50%.

The entire capital stock, excepting directors' shares, of both Bethlehem Steel Co. and Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp., Ltd., is owned by Bethlehem Steel Corp., and the combined earnings of these two subsidiaries comprise practically the entire earnings of Bethlehem Steel Corp., which have been as follows:

Cal. Years (V. 110, p. 1285)— 1917. 1918. 1919.
Gross sales \$298,929,531 \$448,410,808 \$281,641,907
Net (after all taxes, maint., &c.) \$53,979,360 \$57,188,769 \$37,441,218
Interest & proportion of discount 8,746,982 9,748,013 9,518,206

Balance \$45,232,378 \$47,440,756 \$27,923,012
Depreciation, depletion, &c. 17,911,641 31,510,366 12,566,152

Net income after all charges \$27,320,737 \$15,930,390 \$15,356,860
Current net earnings are running at a rate substantially in excess of those of 1919.—V. 110, p. 2078.

Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp., Ltd.—Equip. Trusts.—See Bethlehem Steel Co. above.—V. 110, p. 2490.

Bethlehem Steel Corp.—Sub. Co. Equipment Trusts.—See Bethlehem Steel Co. above.—V. 111, p. 992.

Binghamton (N. Y.) Light, Heat & Power Co.—Notes Offered.—Halsey, Stuart & Co. in June offered, at prices to yield 8½%, the company's 7% Secured Gold Notes.

Dated May 1 1920, due May 1 1925. Int. payable M. & N. in New York without deduction for Federal income taxes now or hereafter deductible at the source, not in excess of 2%. Tax refund in Pennsylvania. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c*). Red., all or part, on any int. date, upon 30 days notice at 101 and int. Guaranty Trust Co., N. Y., trustee.

Data from Letter of Pres. W. S. Barstow, Dated N. Y., June 16 1920.
Company—Incor. in 1902 as successor to Binghamton General Electric Co. Furnishes electric light and power to the cities and towns of Binghamton, Endicott, Johnson City, Union, and the surrounding territory in Broome County, N. Y. Population served estimated, 100,000.

Capitalization after This Financing—*Authorized. Outstand'g.*

7% Secured Gold Notes (this issue), due 1925 \$500,000 \$227,500
First Ref. Mtge. 5% Gold Bonds, due 1946 x \$1,250,000
First Mtge. 5% Gold Bonds, due 1942 (Closed) z \$155,000
6% Preferred stock 1,000,000 522,500
Common stock 1,000,000 500,000

x Issuance of additional bonds is limited by provisions of the mortgage.
y In addition \$325,000 are pledged as security for this note issue.

z Exclusive of \$253,000 deposited with trustee as part security for the First Ref. Mtge. bonds, and \$92,000 held in First Mtge. sinking fund.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be applied principally to the cost of an additional 5,000 k. w. generating unit, made necessary through increased demand upon the company's system, and for other construction expenditures.

Earnings 12 Months ended April 30 1920—

Gross revenue (including other income) \$558,393
Net, after operating expenses and taxes 182,513
Annual interest on total funded debt, including this note issue 92,525

Calendar Years— 1915. 1916. 1917. 1918. 1919.
Gross & other income \$270,354 \$315,207 \$372,085 \$446,923 \$508,584
Net earnings 121,848 128,701 130,163 150,602 179,371
Bond interest charges 25,000 33,741 39,053 53,080 74,043

—V. 110, p. 1529.

Bird & Son, Inc., East Walpole, Mass.—Pref. Stock Offering.—Lee, Higginson & Co., Boston and New York, who in July 1920, brought out \$1,000,000 8% Cum. Prior Pref. (a. & d.) stock (par \$100), are now offering the stock at 102 and div., yielding about 7.84%.

Dividends payable Q.-F. Callable, all or part, on any div. date on 30 days' notice at 110 and divs. Entitled to \$110 per share on dissolution. A sinking fund of 3% annually of greatest amount of Prior Pref. stock at any time outstanding will operate to purchase or call the Prior Pref. stock at not exceeding \$110 and divs.

Data from Letter of Pres. Chas. S. Bird, East Walpole, July 26 1920.

Company.—Business established in 1795. In more recent years business was carried on under names of F. W. Bird & Son and Bird & Son, and on May 10 1918 was incor. in Mass. under above name.

Company manufactures a large variety of paper, roofing and building materials, including paper boxes, roll roofings and waterproof building materials. Its roofing and building materials, extensively advertised under the trade name of "Neponset," have had a nationwide distribution for the last 20 years. Plants at East Walpole and Norwood, Mass., Phillipsdale, R. I., and Chicago, Ill.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to provide additional working capital, necessitated by rapidly expanding business, and for minor improvements.

Capitalization after Present Financing—*Authorized. Outstand'g.*

x8% Cumulative Prior Preference stock	\$5,000,000	\$1,000,000
7% First Preferred stock	2,000,000	2,000,000
6% Second Preferred stock	3,000,000	3,000,000
Common stock	1,000,000	1,000,000
10-year 6% notes, 1929 (V. 108, p. 382)	1,000,000	870,000

x Authorized but unissued Prior Preference stock may bear the same or lesser dividend rate.

Profits.—Net profits, before interest, for six years ending Dec. 31 1919 were over \$3,500,000, an average of \$583,333 per year, or more than four times the requirements for int. and divs. on Gold Notes and Prior Pref. stock. Net profits after depreciation, taxes and interest were over \$3,200,000, an average of over \$500,000 per year, or more than six times the dividend requirement on this stock. Gross sales and net profits for first six months of 1920 have shown a substantial increase over the same period of 1919.

Compare very full statement of history, description of property, &c., in connection with the offering of \$1,000,000 10-year notes in V. 108, p. 382.

Black & Decker Mfg. Co., Balt.—Stock Oversubscribed.

The \$250,000 block of 8% Cum. Pref. stock recently issued by the company was oversubscribed by the employees.

The "Baltimore Sun" says: "The total amount subscribed by the employees amounts to over \$300,000. In addition, subscriptions have been received from all over the county, which bring the total amount subscribed to date to about \$450,000. Only the first block of \$250,000 was intended to carry the 25% bonus of Common stock, but as this was oversubscribed, it was decided to issue the second block immediately and to have it carry the same bonus of Common as the first block."—V. 111, p. 1086.

Butte-Ballaklava Copper Co.—Reorganization.

A notice to the stockholders states: "All bonds necessary to make the reorganization plan effective have been deposited with the bondholders' committee, and the company's property will be sold at foreclosure sale at Butte, Mont., about Oct. 2 1920. Under the reorganization plan, the company's properties will be acquired at foreclosure sale by the Silver Butte Mines Corp., organized for that purpose. That company has also acquired certain silver properties in the Corbin-Wickes district, Montana. Stock of the Butte-Ballaklava Co. is exchangeable, share for share, for the stock of the Silver Butte company on payment of 50 cents for each share of Butte-Ballaklava stock so exchanged. A large amount of stock has already been exchanged. Stockholders who have not yet exchanged their stock may do so at any time before the foreclosure sale. Stock so exchanged should be sent to City National Bank, Duluth, Minn., depository."

A Butte, Mont., dispatch states that the sale of the property has been ordered by the District Court to satisfy a judgment entered in a suit against the company by John C. Williams.

As trustee, Williams in 1914 entered into a contract with the company to sell bonds authorized by the directors amounting to \$200,000, and sold bonds to the extent of \$177,800. Interest on the bonds has not been paid since June 1916, and the judgment granted Williams was \$222,820, which includes the amount of the bond issue, interest, fees and delinquent taxes.

Butterick Company, New York.—Semi-Annual Report.

6 Mos. to June 30— 1920. 1919. 1918. 1917. 1916.
Net income \$59,419 \$391,798 \$300,991 \$206,319 \$201,724
Preferred dividend 33,433

Balance, surplus \$25,986 \$391,798 \$300,991 \$206,319 \$201,724

Consolidated Balance Sheet as of June 30.

	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real est. & imptns.	2,093,425	1,630,372	Common stock	14,642,100
Machinery & plant	2,006,277		Preferred stock	1,000,000
Patents, good-will,			Fed. Pub. Co. bonds	109,000
contracts, copy-			Mortgages	687,500
rights, marks, &c.	13,893,271	12,873,400	Butterick Co. notes	239,000
Stock owned	13,700	5,860	Bills payable—Lib-	
Liberty bonds	9,350	201,898	erty bonds	250,000
Acc'ts receivable	1,878,551	2,601,731	Bills payable	600,000
Notes receivable	16,031		Dividend payable	17,809
Paper in stock		534,625	Accounts payable	869,843
Mdse. manufact'd	1,592,666		Reserve for taxes	20,286
and in process		912,853	Reserves and de-	78,000
Cash	372,068	265,099	preciation	248,053
Deferred charges	206,697		Surplus	1,990,169
Total	20,075,760	21,032,115	Total	20,075,760
—T. 110, p. 2490.				21,032,115

Butterworth-Judson Corporation.—\$400,000 Fire.

Four buildings of the company's plant, located at Jersey City, were burned on Sept. 20, causing a loss estimated at more than \$400,000.—V. 106, p. 2453.

Calumet & Hecla Mining Co.—Production (lbs.)—

Calumet & Subsidiary	Hecla	diaries.	Total
Aug. 1920	4,259,566	3,260,541	7,520,107
Aug. 1919	4,136,818	3,449,783	7,856,601
8 months 1920	39,880,037	31,542,561	71,422,598
8 months 1919	33,284,837	31,974,397	65,259,234
—V. 111, p. 496.			

Canadian General Electric Co.—Affiliation.

See Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. of Canada below.—V. 110, p. 973.

Canadian Locomotive Co., Ltd.—New Directors, &c.

William Harty Jr. has been elected Secretary, and William Casey, Vice-President; both men were also made directors.—V. 111, p. 1186.

Central Aguirre Sugar Co.—Stock Dividend, &c.

A dividend of \$2 per share has been declared on the Capital stock, par \$20, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 25. On July 31 last, a distribution of \$5 per share was made; on July 1 last, \$5 per share and in April last, \$2 per share.

The question of declaring a 100% stock dividend was discussed by the directors on Sept. 23 but they decided that it was inadvisable at this time. The stockholders recently voted to increase the authorized Capital stock from \$4,000,000 to \$6,000,000.—Compare V. 111, p. 1186, 695.

Central Leather Co.—No Common Dividend—Directors.

The directors on Sept. 21 omitted the declaration of the dividend usually due Nov. 1, on the Common stock. An official statement says:

"In view of the continued depression in the leather and shoe industries and the desirability of conserving the cash resources of the company have deemed it inadvisable to declare the usual quarterly dividend on the Common stock."

[In connection with the aforesaid depression it is noted that with export business largely at a standstill, hide prices, since the last week of Aug. 1919, have fallen from 52 cents a pound for native steers and 48 cents a pound for Texas steers to the present price of 28 cents and 23 cents a pound, respectively, or decrease of 46% and 52%.]

Common Dividend Record from 1914 to Aug. 1920.

	May '20 to 1914. 1915. 1916. 1917. 1918. 1919. Feb. '20. Aug. '20.						
Regular divs	2% 7% 3% 5% 5% 5% 1 1/4% 1 1/4% qu.						
Extra divs	4% 4% 2% 2% 2% 2%						

Theodore R. Hoyt and A. T. Lynch have been elected directors succeeding W. S. Hoyt and Frank H. Platt. Mr. Lynch has also been elected a member of the Executive Committee.—V. 111, p. 496, 297.

Central Sugar Corp.—Earnings.

Results for Year Ended June 30 1920 and Eight Mos. Ended June 30 1919

	Year '20	8 Mos. '19
Total income	\$661,420	\$55,601
Adjustments	33,875	
Expenses and taxes	63,493	18,666
Interest, discounts, etc.	281,429	125,676

Net profit \$283,623 def. \$88,742
Central Fe S. A., whose stock is all owned by Central Sugar Corp., reports profits before provision for Cuban income tax, for the year ended June 30, 1920 of \$1,377,532, from which dividends amounting to \$540,000 were paid, leaving surplus of \$837,532.—V. 111, p. 1186.

Chace Cotton Mills Co.—Smaller Dividend.

A quarterly dividend of 4% has been declared on the stock payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 21. In April and July last, dividends of 10% each were paid, while in January last, 6% was paid.—V. 110, p. 1292.

Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co.—Bonds Called.

All outstanding First Mtge. 6% Serial Gold bonds of 1918 (excepting those which mature Oct. 1 1920) have been called for payment Oct. 1 at 101 and int. at the Central Trust Co. of Illinois, trustee, 125 West Monroe St., Chicago. These bonds are part of an authorized issue of \$3,250,000, of which \$2,967,500 was outstanding Dec. 31 1919 (V. 110, p. 1287).

Stockholders of record Dec. 19 1919 were allowed to subscribe for new stock at par, equivalent to their present holdings, thereby bringing the outstanding capital stock to \$12,897,600, the proceeds to be used for the retirement of the aforesaid outstanding bonds and all fixed charges, and to increase the company's working capital.—V. 111, p. 899.

Chile Copper Co.—Production (in lbs.)—

1920—August—1919.	Increase.	1920—8 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
10,640,000	8,994,210	1,645,790	71,910,000 48,071,054 23,838,946

—V. 111, p. 993, 592.

China Mail Steamship Corp.—Bonds Called.

All outstanding (\$584,000) First Mtge. Short-Term 7% gold bonds of \$1,000 each, designated as Series "C," have been called for redemption on Oct. 1 at 101 1/2 and int. at the Union Trust Co. of San Francisco. See offering in V. 111, p. 391.

Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co.—Listing—Earnings.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (a) 60,492 shares of Common stock (no par value) upon official notice of issuance as 1-20 of a stock dividend, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 10; (b) with authority to add, on and after Feb. 1 1921 18,000 shares of Common stock to Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, for purchase by the holders of outstanding 5-year 8% gold notes dated Aug. 1 1920 (see offering in V. 111, p. 496), making the total amount applied for 1,340,136 shares. The outstanding Common stock on Sept. 10 1920, will be about 1,209,833 shares (incl. fractional scrip).

Income Account Six Months ended June 30 1920.

Earnings from all sources for the six months	\$5,552,875
Interest on funded and floating debt	122,058
Depreciation reserves and other charges	234,264
Reserve for excise, income & excess profits taxes for six mos.	2,387,179
Net income	\$2,809,375
Surplus, Dec. 31 1919	2,864,545
Total surplus	\$5,673,920
Deduct: Dividends on Pref. and Common stock	982,842
Other charges against surplus	437,883
Surplus at June 30 1920	\$4,253,194

*** Consolidated Arizona Smelting Co., N. Y.—Financial Plan—Stockholders and Income Bondholders Asked to Participate in Exchange of Securities and Purchase of Stock of Southwest Metals Co., Organized Primarily to Liquidate or Refund \$650,000 or More of Floating Debt.**

The Southwest Metals Co. was organized in Delaware last July, at the suggestion of large security holders in the Consol. Arizona Smelting Co., and with the approval of its directors, primarily to refund at least \$650,000 of the \$855,000 of unfunded liabilities, largely due in the near future, and later on if conditions and capital permit to augment and supplement the company's operations by other kindred enterprises.

Offer to Security Holders of Consol. Arizona Smelting Co.
To Holders of—Outstg. If Paying Will Receive Stock
Each \$1,000 Inc. bond \$885,000 \$50 cash* 20 shares of S. W. Metals Co. Each \$5 share of stk. \$315,000 40 cts. cash One-fortieth of share of said stk.
* Or \$50 par value of Income bond scrip.*

Assenting stockholders and income bondholders must deposit their holdings with the N. Y. Trust Co., 26 Broad St., N. Y., prior to 3 p. m. Oct. 15, the income bondholders making their cash payment forthwith. The stockholders may either pay in full at once or 25% each Oct. 15, and Dec. 1 1920 and March 1 and June 1 1921.

The holders of a majority of the Income bonds and of a large number of the shares of stock have signified their acceptance of the foregoing offer. James A. Heitzmann is President of the new company.

Disposition of Southwest Metals Co. Auth. Stock—100,000 Shs. of No Par Val.

	Shares.	Proceeds.
Already subscribed for at \$20 cash, per share	5,000	\$100,000
Reserved for further cash subscription	1,000	200,000
Reserved under terms of option agreement	6,000	120,000
Required for exchange on basis of offer for said \$885,000		
Income bonds (if all are exchanged)	17,700	44,250
Required for exchange for said 1,663,000 shares of stock (if all is exchanged)	41,575	665,200
Stock in Treasury in excess of above requirements	28,725	
Total capital stock	100,000	\$949,950

Condensed Extracts from Official Circular of Sept. 18.

For the seven months ending July 31 we have shown a deficit of \$28,589. Costs have been extremely high, due to many causes, notably the low copper content of our own ores shipped from the Blue Bell and De Soto mines—our financial condition having prevented the proper development of the mines. We have just completed sinking the shaft at the Blue Bell mine to the 1,350-foot level, and have started to drift for the ore bodies which should, if conditions permit, be reached about Oct. 15, when better ore should be available.

Our custom business also has been much restricted, due to the high cost of production and the low price obtainable for copper. One of our largest shippers—the Swansea Lease Inc.—has twice stopped shipments entirely. Recently we have taken over the operation of this property under an option agreement, which gives us the right to purchase a 75% interest at a reasonable price.

The offer to our security holders will if generally accepted supply ample working capital and place up to 59,275 shares or more than 80% of the presently contemplated stock issue of the Southwest Metals Co. in the hands of our security-holders, giving them control. Our indebtedness, aside from current pay-rolls, &c., will then be held by the Southwest Metals Co., which itself will be free of indebtedness. [Signed by Pres. Charles A. Kittle.]—V. 108, p. 2125.

Consolidated Gas Co. of N. Y.—Sub. Co. Capital Inc.—
See New York Edison Co. below.—V. 111, p. 695.

Consolidated Textile Corp.—President Rupprecht Purchases Entire Property of B. B. & R. Knight, Inc.—
See B. B. & R. Knight, Inc., below.—V. 111, p. 496.

Consumers Power Co.—Securities Offered to Customers.—

The company on Sept. 1 put into operation the plan of offering its 7% Cumulative Preferred stock on either a cash or partial payment basis to its customers. The stock is offered on a cash basis at \$95 and div. The partial payment plan calls for \$10 payment at time of purchase, \$10 per month for seven months and \$15 as a final payment. Purchases under the partial payment plan are limited to 25 shares and the purchaser has the option of withdrawing all partial payments on 10 days' notice at any time prior to the date of final payment for the stock.—V. 111, p. 1086.

Continental Candy Corporation—New Note Issue.

The company recently sold to bankers \$1,500,000 8% Debenture serial gold notes, dated July 1 1920, due \$500,000 each July 1 1923, 1924 and 1925. Authorized, \$2,000,000. The notes were all placed privately. The proceeds will be used, it is stated, to finance the construction of new buildings in Jersey City. Guaranty Trust Co., N. Y., is trustee.—V. 111, p. 899.

Cornell (Cotton) Mills Corp.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 3% has been declared on the stock, in addition to the quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 21 in April, and July last, dividends of 10% were paid; in June last, a special distribution of 20% was made.—V. 110, p. 2491.

Corn Products Refining Co.—Dividends—Operations.

An extra dividend of 1/2 of 1% has been declared on the Common stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 1%, both payable Oct. 20 to holders of record Oct. 4. An extra dividend of 1/2 of 1% was paid in January, April and July last.

The company's big plant at Edgewater, N. J., which had been closed down for a week has resumed operation. The company is said to be operating at about 75% of capacity and grinding around 100,000 bushels of corn daily; maximum capacity of the plant is 150,000 bushels daily.—V. 111, p. 796, 392.

Corona Typewriter Co., Inc., Groton, N. Y.—Stock Offered.—All stockholders of record Sept. 15 are given the right to subscribe up to Oct. 1 to approximately 3,200 shares of 2nd Pref. stock (par \$100) and 1,600 shares of Common (no par value) stock in blocks of two shares of Pref. and one share of Common at \$265 per block.

An official circular dated Sept. 1 and issued to the stockholders says in substance:

The success of the company and the popularity of the machine manufactured have been gratifying. The demand for the Corona typewriter for the past several years has greatly exceeded our ability to meet it. We now find it absolutely necessary to materially enlarge our plants by the erection of several new buildings and the installation of a large amount of machinery and equipment, in order to take care of the present demands and also provide for the future requirements.

In order to finance the enlargements directors have decided to offer for sale the Capital stock (as above). Second Pref. shares are entitled to 7% cum. dividends, which company is paying regularly. The Common has been paying dividends at the rate of \$8 per share for some time and, based on the present and estimated future business and earning, there is every reason to justify the belief that this rate will continue. (Of the issue of 5,000 shares of First Pref., nearly 750 shares have been taken up by the company, and it is planned to retire all of it within a few years.)

We now give to stockholders the opportunity to purchase the above shares before offering them to the public at a price to yield 8.31%. Directors have arranged that the holder of any number of shares less than 17 will have the privilege of subscribing for one block as above. The holder of more than 17 shares will be entitled to subscribe to one block for every 17 shares held. Payments may be made either in full with the subscription, or 25% with the order: 25% Dec. 1; 25% Feb. 1 1921, and 25% April 1 1921.

Company has had a wonderful growth and development and the outlook for the future is now more promising than at any period in its history. [Signed Benn Conger, Pres., Carleton F. Brown, Treas.]—Compare V. 111, p. 993, 592.

Crown Oil & Refining Co.—Bonds Called.

All of the outstanding First Conv. 7% gold bonds, dated May 1 1919 (\$1,150,000 authorized) have been called for payment Oct. 16 at 110 and int. at the Mechanics & Metals National Bank, N. Y.—V. 110, p. 1976.

Crown Overall Manufacturing Co., Cincinnati, Stock Offered.—Breed, Elliott & Harrison and W. E. Hutton & Co., Cincinnati, are offering at par and div. \$1,500,000 8% cum. sinking fund Pref. stock.

Dividends payable Q.-M. Red all or part at 110 and divs. Company, after Sept. 1, 1921, must retire annually 3% of the greatest amount of Pref. stock outstanding at any time not over 110. Must maintain net current assets equal to 100%, and net tangible assets equal to 200% of Pref. stock.

Capital After This Financing (No Bonds)—
Authorized, Outstanding
Preferred stock \$1,500,000
Common stock 2,000,000 \$1,500,000

Data From Letter of Pres. Oscar Berman, Dated Sept 10 1920

Company.—Organized as a partnership in 1903. Original plant consisted of 14 sewing machines in a rented loft. Properties and plant located in Cincinnati. Has acquired 99 1/4% of the entire capital stock of the Stonewall (Miss.) Cotton Mills. Plant of latter is valued at \$2,200,000. Growth of business has been continuous, sales having increased from \$40,000 in 1903 to the rate of over \$5,000,000 a year for the first 6 mos. of 1920.

Purpose.—\$1,000,000 will be used to finance the purchase of 99 1/4% of the capital stock of Stonewall Cotton Mills, \$225,000 to refund an equal amount of Preferred stock of Crown Overall Mfg. Co., and the balance is to be used for working capital.

Earnings.—For the past five years the combined net profits of the two concerns have averaged 2 1/2 times the dividend requirements of the present issue of Pref. stock. During the first 6 months of 1920 after deducting Federal taxes earnings have been estimated to be over 8 times the redemption fund and dividends requirements on the entire issue of Pref. stock.

Balance Sheet June 30 1920 Adjusted to Show Effects of This Financing.

Assets	Liabilities
Cash	\$311,033
U. S. Treasury Certificates	101,313
Accounts receivable	1,043,810
Inventory (est.)	1,252,728
Other assets	114,010
Investment	1,000,000
Permanent assets	572,801
Deferred & prepaid assets	114,196
	Total (each side) \$4,509,891
	Notes payable
	Accounts payable
	Accrued accounts
	Res for Fed tax (est 1919-20)
	Pref. stock
	Common stock
	Surplus
	Deferred & prepaid assets
	V. 105, p. 2368.

Dalton Adding Machine Co., Cincinnati—Capital.

The stockholders in June last authorized an increase in the Common stock from \$2,000,000 to \$9,250,000, the Preferred stock remaining the same at \$750,000. Of the new Common stock \$550,000 was offered to all stockholders of record July 15 at par (\$100) and oversubscribed.

Outstanding Capitalization (No Bonds Outstanding)

Common stock \$2,550,000

Pref. stock 7% cumul. and particip. with com. after com. gets 7% also conv. into com. share for share at any time 750,000

Beginning July 1 1920 both classes of stock were placed on an 8% annual basis.

The offering of the Common stock was underwritten by George Eustis & Co., Cincinnati.—V. 111, p. 77.

• Davis-Watkins Dairymen's Mfg. Co.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 1 1/2% has been declared on the Preferred stock (par \$100) together with the regular semi-annual dividend of 3 1/2%, both payable to Sept. 15 to holders of record Sept. 1.—V. 109, p. 175.

Davis-Daly Copper Co.—Quarterly Report.

Results for Quarter and Six Months ending June 30.

	1920	3 Mos.	1919	1920	6 Mos.	1919
Ore returns	\$249,462	\$249,296	\$682,541	\$450,361		
Miscellaneous revenues	61,572	8,440	93,255	21,294		
Total receipts	\$311,034	\$257,736	\$775,796	\$471,655		
Mining cost & develop.	234,738	154,629	503,716	344,247		
Equipment	15,262	31,107	44,132	51,845		
General expenses	a75,035		132,665			
Balance, surplus	def.\$14,001	\$72,001	\$95,282	\$75,564		

a Includes U. S. income tax on Boston expenses.—V. 110, p. 2196.

Davis Sewing Machine Co., Dayton, O.—Re-Incorp.

Incorporated in Delaware Aug. 9 1920 with an authorized capital of \$13,000,000 to conduct and carry on the business of general manufacturers. The Corporation Trust Co. is the company's Delaware representative. It is understood that this a re-incorporation of the old company incorporated in Ohio 1895 which at latest accounts had outstanding \$600,000 Common and \$600,000 6% Pref. stock, also \$240,000 1st Mtge. 6s due serially to 1924.—V. 96, p. 364.

Detroit Edison Co.—Earnings.—Rate Increase.

	July	Aug.	To July 31	To Aug. 31
Gross revenue	\$1,674,117	\$1,689,829	\$11,983,120	\$13,672,949
Increase over 1919	36.7%	37.6%	32.2%	32.8%
Net aft int. chgs.	def.\$40,436	def.\$68,956	sur\$1025,514	sur\$956,558

Earnings for July and August reflect the result of the accident in July which cut off more than one-fourth of the generating capacity. Repairs to machinery are ahead of schedule and a new generator is also now being installed.

The company has been allowed rate increases effective July 1 amounting to 17% on general schedule and larger percentages on power schedule. These increases are the first the company or its predecessor has ever had during its existence, covering a period of 35 years, except as to occasional adjustments in industrial power business. Not over 1% of the increase of 32.8% in gross revenues for the eight months ended Aug. 31 1920, resulted from rate increases.

The generating plants have been overloaded with business during and since the war, and new business is awaiting service. The management is confident that operating conditions will be normal in November at the latest. The quarterly dividend of 2%, payable Oct. 15 was declared Sept. 20.—V. 111, p. 899.

Detroit Press Steel Co.—Capital Increase.

The company has filed notice with the Secretary of State of Delaware increasing its capital from \$10,500,000 to \$23,750,000.—V. 110, p. 2294.

W. L. Douglas' Shoe Co., Brockton, Mass.—Bal. Sheet.

	June 30 '20.	July 5 '19		June 30 '20.	July 5 '19	
Assets—	\$	\$		Liabilities—	\$	\$
Cash & cust. accts.				Preferred stock	3,752,000	2,500,000
receivable	1,145,228	987,863		Common stock	1,000,000	1,000,000
Due from emp. on				Notes pa. for bor. M.	550,000	
Liberty bonds	26,011			Notes pay. to carry		
Sundry notes receiv.	2,325			empl. Lib. bonds—		
Mater. & supplies	835,627	1,259,116		(sec. by bonds)	35,000	
Finished goods	3,409,100	2,400,850		Accts. payable	454,692	753,665
Sundry assets	173,097	166,206		Reserve for taxes	966,237	573,043
Plant & fix. (bk. val.)	297,267	256,728		Surplus	620,424	620,424
Good will (book val.)	933,034	933,034				
Total	6,793,353	6,032,133		Total	6,793,353	6,032,133

—V. 110, p. 662.

Dryden Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd.—Stock Oversubscribed.

Montreal advises state that the issue of 100,000 shares of stock of no par value offered privately at \$35 per share by a syndicate of Montreal bankers headed by Greenshields & Co. has been oversubscribed.

The Company is being formed to take over the properties and business of the Dryden Pulp & Paper Co. from English interests. Holdings comprise 1,157 sq. miles of timber limits surrounding Lake Wabigoon and Eagle Lake, in the district of Kenora, Ontario. In addition, there are 2,000 sq. miles, containing some 4,000,000 cords, available to the company in the Dryden district.

The funded debt comprises \$405,000 10-year 6% bonds, due in 1928 and \$1,100,000 in 30-year 6% debentures, due 1945. These securities are the only ones ranking before the Common stock now issued, there being no preference shares.

The "Stock Exchange Weekly Official Intelligence" of London in its issue of Sept. 6 says: "At a meeting of the holders of 7% Income Debenture stock held Aug. 26 resolutions were passed authorizing the exchange of the present stock and arrears of interest to March 31 1920 for 6% Fixed Mtge. Debenture stock of the company or of another company to be formed to take over its assets. The stock will bear interest from April 1 1920, will be issued at the rate of £110 face value for each £100 of present stock, and will be secured by a trust deed to be approved by the bondholders' committee, which will contain stipulations for the provision of \$800,000 new capital ranking after the debenture stock."

Dunn Petroleum Corp.—100% Stock Dividend.

A 100% stock dividend has been declared on the Capital stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 25. This distribution, it is understood, will increase the outstanding Capital stock from \$2,249,500 to \$4,949,000 par value \$1.—V. 111, p. 899, 796.

Durham Hosiery Mills.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 25 cents per share (1/2 of 1%) has been declared on the Common B stock (par \$50) together with the regular quarterly dividend of 8 1/2 cents per share (1 1/4%), both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20. Extra dividends of like amount were paid in April and July last.—V. 110, p. 2571.

Eastern Manufacturing Co. of Mass.—Extra Dividends.

An extra dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the Common stock, along with the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents both payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Oct. 10. An extra dividend of \$1 per share was paid in July last, together with the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents.—V. 110, p. 2390.

Ford Motor Co.—Reduces Prices—Balance Sheet—Subsidiary Company Formed.

The company on Sept. 21 announced a reduction in the price of its cars, trucks and tractors effective at once at the following prices:

Old	New	Old	New		
Model	Price	Model	Price		
Stripped chassis	\$525	\$360	Touring car	\$575	\$440
Runabout	550	395	With starter	650	510
With starter	625	465	Truck chassis	640	545

All the above prices include demountable rims and pneumatic tires.

The coupe has been reduced from \$850 to \$745, which price includes starter and demountable rims. The sedan is reduced from \$975 to \$795, including starting system and demountable rims. The Fordson tractor is reduced from \$850 to \$790.

In announcing this reduction the company states: "The Ford Motor Co. makes this reduction in the face of the fact that they have on hand immediate orders for 146,065 cars and tractors. The company will suffer a temporary loss while using up the material bought at high prices. They are willing to make the sacrifice in order to bring business back to a going condition as quickly as possible, and maintain the momentum of the buying power of the country."

"Henry Ford says: 'The war is over and it is time war prices were over. There is no sense or wisdom in trying to maintain an artificial standard of values. For the best interests of all concerned it is time a real practical effort was made to bring the business of the country and the life of the country down to regular pre-war standards.'"

A Windsor, Ont., dispatch states that price reductions by the Ford Motor Co. of Can., proportionate to those announced by the Detroit company, were announced by Gordon McGregor, Pres.

Balance Sheet as of June 30 (as Filed With the Mass. Secretary of State).

	1920	1919		1920	1919	
Assets—	\$	\$		Liabilities—	\$	
Real estate	85,549,726	54,975,541		Capital stock	17,264,000	2,000,000
Mach., & equip.	41,661,136	24,212,779		Accounts pay.	15,958,115	24,097,324
Merc. mat., stk.				Notes payable	35,112,977	
process	96,069,908	76,400,049		Ac. sal. & wages	3,363,458	
Cash & debts rec.	62,499,029	156,011,982		Floating debt	72,174,637	
Patent rights	77,858			Deprec. res.	18,654,989	
Bonds	18,921,608	20,903,511		Res. for ins. tax		
Stk in sub. cos.	1,128,742			etc.	49,163,974	
Exp. Inventor.	789,102	494,259		Accr. expense	1,498,424	7,139,579
				Surplus	165,679,132	227,586,581

Total 306,695,109 332,998,121

The company has asked the Federal Power Commission for a license under the new waterpower act to construct project on the Hudson River at Troy, N. Y., to supply power for a new manufacturing plant at that place, land for which has already been purchased.

The Michigan Iron, Land & Lumber Co., has been incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000 to conduct the Ford Motor Co.'s iron mining and timber milling in the upper peninsula of Michigan. Henry Ford is Pres.; Edward G. Kingsford, Vice-Pres.; Edsel Ford, Treas., and C. B. Longley, Sec. The tract has approximately 400,000 acres and was acquired as part of the Ford plan to make the automobile company self-contained.

The "Iron Age" of Sept. 16 states that boilers of exceptional size are now in process of erection at the company's plant at Detroit; a brief description is also given in the same issue.

The "Gas Age" of N. Y. Sept. 10, has an illustrated article on the Ford by-product coke oven plant at River Rouge, Mich.—V. 111, p. 1087.

(H. H.) Franklin Manufacturing Co.—Sales, &c.—

Years ending—	Aug. 31 1920.	Aug. 31 1919.	Increase.
Total sales	\$31,001,565	\$16,439,631	\$14,561,934

Foreign sales is said to show a gain of 166% over year 1919-20, 3,181.

The additions to the company's plants, on which about \$1,000,000 is being expended, is expected to be completed about Jan. 1921.

Reductions of between 17 and 21% in the price of the company's automobiles were announced on Sept. 23.—V. 111, p. 797, 595.

(Robert) Gair Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.—New Plant.

The company, it is stated, has awarded a contract for the erection of a one and two-story plant, in the Montville section of New London, Conn.—V. 110, p. 2197.

Gardner Motor Co., St. Louis.—Production.

During the last two weeks in August, it is stated, 625 cars were shipped as compared with 882 for July and 1,687 for the 3 months ending June 30 last. On Aug. 31 1920 the company, it is said, had no bank loans and only current accounts payable, while cash on hand was in excess of \$900,000.—V. 111, p. 298, 193.

General American Tank Car Corp.—Balance Sheet.

	June 30 '20 Dec. 31 '19		June 30 '20 Dec. Dec. 31 '19
Cash	\$1,080,917	\$950,619	Notes & accts.
Cap. st. subscr.			payable, etc.
& acr. int.	590,573		\$6,179,057 \$4,240,533
Shaffer Oil &			Divs. declared
Ref. bonds		464,950	Res. for amort.
Notes receiv.	6,664,616	3,060,272	taxes, etc.
Accts. receiv.	2,234,839	2,204,796	Equip. bonds &
Inventory	5,416,102	3,007,056	notes
U.S. Gov bonds	656,535	627,000	12,145,500 7,844,000
Other assets		81,700	Pref. stock
Fixed assets	20,564,434	17,341,244	5,038,400 4,813,000

Total (each side) \$37,208,016 \$27,737,636
a Other investments, \$105,000; rolling stock, \$13,090,161; real estate, buildings, machinery, etc., \$2,394,797; other assets, \$529,475; patents, goodwill, etc., \$1; appreciation of plant, machinery and equipment as per appraisal, \$4,445,000.

x Represented by 252,872 shares Common stock (no par value). y Represented by 50,000 shares Common stock (no par value).—Compare offering of \$1,500,000 7% equipment trust certificates in last week's "Chronicle" page 1187.

General Electric Co.—New Vice-President.

Charles E. Patterson, Comptroller, has been elected Vice-President.—V. 111, p. 993, 899.

General Motors Corp.—Usual Stock Distribution.

The regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share in cash and 1-40th of a share in stock on the new Common stock, no par value, both payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 5. Like amounts were paid on May 1 and Aug. 1 last.—V. 111, p. 1087, 1078.

W. R. Grace & Co., N. Y.—Real Estate Deal.

W. R. Grace & Co. have taken a 63-year lease at a rental of approximately \$750,000, with a contract to purchase, covering the properties at 96-100 Pearl St., N. Y. City, consisting of three, four and five story buildings on plot of 4,200 sq. ft. This deal

Independent Warehouses, Inc., N. Y.—Acquisition.

The company has acquired the stores of the W. C. Casey Co. located at 151-169 Leroy St., 362-364 West St. and 600-604 Washington St., N. Y. City. These stores, which are both bonded and free, have 110,000 sq. ft. of space, and are particularly adapted to the storage of textiles and dry goods of all kinds. With the addition of this unit company is now operating 13 modern, fireproof warehouses in the Metropolitan District, all convenient to railroad terminals and within free lighterage limits of New York Harbor.—V. 111, p. 194.

Island Creek Coal Co.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of \$2 per share has been declared on the Common stock, together with the usual quarterly dividend of \$1 per share, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 24. In Jan. and April 1917 extra dividends of \$1 each were paid; no extra dividends since.—V. 111, p. 594.

Kelly Springfield Tire Co.—Common Stock Offered—Underwritten.

Common stockholders of record Oct. 15 are to be given the right to subscribe to about 82,000 shares of Common stock (par \$25) at \$50 per share.

Subscriptions are payable 50% on Nov. 10 and 50% Dec. 10. The Common stockholders will accordingly be given the privilege to subscribe for 35% of their holdings.

The proposed issue has been underwritten by a syndicate headed by H. P. Goldschmidt & Co., Goldman, Sachs & Co., and Lehman Bros.—V. 111, p. 194.

Kinnecott Copper Co.—Production (in lbs.)

1920—August—1919.	Increase.	1920—8 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
11,268,000	8,224,000	3,044,000	75,777,860
47,747,560	28,030,300		

—V. 111, p. 994, 393.

Kerr Lake Mining Co.—Silver Output (in ozs.)

1920—August—1919.	1920—8 Mos.—1919.	Decrease.
62,559	*None	593,596
		832,507
		238,911

* The property was shut down in August, 1919.—V. 111, p. 1188, 697.

Kerr Navigation Corp.—Changes Name.

Over 94% of the stockholders of the Kerr Navigation Corp. on Sept. 7 voted to change the name to American Ship & Commerce Navigation Corp.—V. 111, p. 994.

King Philips Mills, Fall River, Mass.—Stock Dividend.

The stockholders on Sept. 21 voted to increase the capital stock from \$1,500,000 to \$2,250,000, and authorized the declaration of a 50% stock dividend.—V. 111, p. 1188.

(B. B. & R.) Knight, Inc.—Properties Sold.—The entire mill properties were sold on Sept. 17 to Frederick R. Ruprecht, New York, [Pres. of the Consolidated Textile Corp.] at a price believed to be between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. An authorized statement states in substance:

This sale includes all the mill properties, real estate, farm lands and buildings, houses for employees, good-will and brands, and all quick assets owned by company, to one of the largest manufacturers of cotton textiles in the world, at present operating over 500,000 spindles and in addition a large bleaching plant.

The products which are fine sheeting, shirtings, twills, cambric and high-grade yarns, will be continued on their present high standard. "Fruit of the Loom"—famous the world over—the best known of the many brands owned by the Knight interests, will still be manufactured and sold under the same ticket and its reputation for quality carefully guarded. It can be definitely stated that the policies of the new owners contemplate no radical change either in the management of the property or in the consideration of the welfare of its employees.

The properties consist of the following: Arctic Mill, Arctic; Centreville Mill, Centreville; Clinton Mill, Woonsocket; Dodgeville Mill, Dodgeville, Mass.; Grant Mill, Providence; Hebron Mill, Hebronville, Mass.; Jackson Mill, Jackson; Lippitt Mill, Lippitt; Manchaug Mills Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Manchaug, Mass.; Natick Mill, Natick; Nottingham Mill, Providence; Pontiac Mill and Bleachery, Pontiac; Royal Mill and Valley Queen Mill, Riverpoint; and White Rock Mill, Westerly.

The new Royal Mill at Riverpoint, replacing the mill destroyed by fire on Jan. 27 1919, will be in full operation before the end of this year. This mill is laid out for 120,000 ring spindles and 3,000 Draper automatic looms and will, in all respects, represent the most modern, up-to-date cotton textile manufacturing plant in New England. It is intended to devote the larger part of its production to the "Fruit of the Loom."

Landers, Frary & Clark, New Britain.—To Enlarge.

The company, it is stated, will add three additional stories to one of its three-story 60x210-ft. plants.—V. 111, p. 1088.

Libby Glass Co., Toledo.—Litigation Ended.

Judge Orr in the U. S. Court at Pittsburgh, has filed a decision terminating the litigation started in 1914 between the Company and the McKee Glass Co. Libby Co. charged infringements on valuable patents used in connection with the glass industry. The decree ordered that the plaintiff recover from the McKee Co. \$78,537, with interest from June 24 1919, the amount of the master's original award, which was contested but held valid; and other amounts totaling \$23,481. The McKee Co. was also ordered to pay the costs of the suit and likewise \$6,045 compensation paid to the accountant, F. W. Main.—V. 110, p. 769.

Libby, McNeill & Libby.—Listed.

The Boston Stock Exchange on Sept. 14 added to the list 1,350,000 additional shares (par \$10) capital stock, with authority to add 70,000 additional shares on issuance and sale to employees, making the total authorized for the list 2,700,000, of which 2,630,000 are now admitted thereto.

The Exchange is advised under date of Sept. 7 1920 by the company that the 1,280,000 additional shares representing a 50% stock dividend and stock subscription have all been issued and payment had for all of the subscription stock and that of the 140,000 shares reserved for employees approximately 70,000 shares have been issued to date. Compare V. 110, p. 2080, 2295, 2384, 2391.

McCrory Stores Corp., N. Y.—August Sales.

1920—August—1919.	Increase.	1920—8 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
\$1,150,321	\$972,981	\$177,340	\$8,497,229
			\$6,931,191
			\$1,566,037

—V. 111, p. 901, 499.

Manhattan Electrical Supply Co., Inc.—Sales.

Eight Months Ending Aug. 31—	1920.	1919.	Increase.
Gross sales.	\$5,121,333	\$4,340,776	\$780,557

—V. 111, p. 1088, 901.

Manufacturers' Light & Heat Co.—To Pay Bonds.

The \$348,000 6% bonds due Oct. 1 1920 will be paid off at maturity Oct. 1 1920 at Colonial Trust Co., Pittsburgh.—V. 111, p. 595.

Marconi Wireless Teleg. Co. of Canada.—Affiliation.

The company, it is stated, has become affiliated with the Canadian General Electric Co., and the President of the latter, Frederic Nicholls, becomes President, while Sir William Mackenzie and A. E. Dymant, of the Electric board, join the Marconi board. The affiliation, it is said, improves the position of the Marconi company with respect to a number of the patent rights and manufacturing developments.—V. 109, p. 1183.

Middle States Oil Corp.—Capital Increase.—The stockholders on Sept. 20 authorized an increase in the capital stock from \$8,000,000 to \$16,000,000 (par \$10).

The new capital will be used at the discretion of the directors in continuing the company's policy in capitalizing settled production by the issuance of stock allotments and in the effort to obtain new production.

The "Oil Trade Journal" in a recent issue stated: "The Imperial Oil Corp. affiliated with the Middle States Oil Corp. and controlled by the same interests, has been chartered in Delaware with an authorized capital of \$10,000,000 Common stock (par \$10) and \$10,000,000 8% Cum. Pref. (par \$10). The Imperial company now has under ownership or firm contract in Okla-

homa, Texas, Kentucky and Indiana approximately 8,800 acres. The properties are now undergoing gauging with a view to determining the exact production, which will also determine the issue of Preferred and Common stocks."—V. 111, p. 994, 1088.

Mohawk Mining Co.—Div. Decreased—Production (in lbs.)

A quarterly dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the stock (par \$25), payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 9. Quarterly dividends of \$1.50 per share were paid in Feb., May and Aug. last, while in May, Aug. and Nov. 1919 dividends of \$1 per share were paid.

1920—August—1919.	Decrease.	1920—8 Mos.—1919.	Decrease.
681,567	922,209	240,642	7,128,026
			8,762,548
			1,634,522

—V. 110, p. 2662.

Montgomery Ward & Co., Chicago.—Reduces Prices.

See Sears, Roebuck & Co. below.—V. 111, p. 994.

Morris & Co., Chicago.—Guarantees Sub. Co. Notes.

See William F. Mosser Co. below.—V. 111, p. 1088.

Morris Canal & Banking Co.—To Retire Bonds.

We are informed that the \$500,000 6% bonds maturing on Oct. 1, which are owned by Lehigh Valley RR. will be retired.—V. 101, p. 1811.

(Leonard) Morton & Co., Chicago.—Pref. Dividend.

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 2% on the Pref. stock, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 30.—Compare V. 110, p. 2492; V. 111, p. 595.

(William F.) Mosser Co., Boston.—Guaranteed Notes Offered.

Halsey, Stuart & Co., New York, &c., Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Merchants Loan & Trust Co., Chicago, and F. S. Moseley & Co., Boston, &c., are offering, at 100 and int., yielding 8%, \$3,000,000 8% Ten-Year Sinking Fund Gold Notes. Prin. and int. guaranteed by Morris & Co., Chicago. (See adv pages).

Dated Oct. 1 1920, due Oct. 1 1930. Int. A. & O. in New York and Chicago without deduction for normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2%. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c*). Red., all or part, on any int. date on 60 days notice at 107 during 1921, 1922 and 1923, 106 during 1924, 105 during 1925, 104 during 1926, 103 during 1927, 102 during 1928, 101 during 1929, and on April 1 1930. A sinking fund is provided beginning April 1 1923, which will retire in semi-annual installments \$1,500,000, par value, notes before maturity.

Data from Letter of President Nelson Morris, Boston, Sept. 20 1920.

Company.—Engaged in the tanning of hides and manufacture and sale of leather. Was incorp. Jan. 1 1908 in Mass. Business established in 1900. Plants at Richwood, W. Va., where two tanneries and a large tanning extract plant are in operation, and at Westover, Pa., where one tannery is operated. Combined daily capacity of plants about 100,000 lbs. of raw hides.

Capitalization after This Financing.

Common stock (all owned by Morris & Co.)	\$5,000,000	\$4,000,000
8% Ten-Year Sink. Fund Gold Notes (this issue)	3,000,000	3,000,000

Purpose.—Proceeds will be applied to the reduction of current obligations.

Earnings.—Average net profits available for interest after deductions, except Federal taxes, for the four calendar years 1916 to 1919, inclusive, were \$855,824; average net profits available for interest charges for the same period after all deductions, including Federal taxes, were \$761,529.

Balance Sheet Jan. 3 1920 (Total Each Side, \$10,335,476).

Assets	Liabilities
Fixed assets	Capital stock
427,137	Surplus
823,565	Bills payable
7,896,010	Accounts payable
1,093	Tax reserves
84,705	Reserves

Nash Motors Co., Kenosha, Wisconsin.—New Plan.

Regular production has begun in the new works on Clement Avenue, Milwaukee. The force numbers 1,000, which will be increased to 2,000 by Jan. 1 to make possible a first year's production of 10,000 four-cylinder Nash passenger cars. Most of the equipment has been purchased and installed, but additional tools are being contracted for from time to time. G. E. Bechtel is works manager.—"Iron Age" of Sept. 16.—V. 111, p. 300.

National Tea Co., Chicago.—Sales.—John Burnham & Co., Chicago, who are offering some of the 7% Cum. Pref. stock to yield 7.8%, submit the following table:

Sales	1920	1919	1918
January	\$1,328,304	\$886,518	\$716,499
February	1,292,991	891,901	645,269
March	1,413,806	1,016,370	743,417
April	1,580,457	1,014,776	719,502
May	1,507,567	1,185,115	698,521
June	1,839,928	1,091,748	846,934
July	1,724,043	1,196,193	829,758

Total 7 months \$10,687,096 \$7,282,620 \$5,199,901

Increase for 7 months in 1920 46% over 1919 and 105% over 1918. Company now has in operation 163 stores which compares with about 130 stores in operation a year ago.—Compare V. 109 p. 780, 1897; V. 111, p. 394.

Newfoundland Maritime Co., Ltd.—Bonds Offered.

The Tillotson & Wolcott Co., Cleveland, are offering at prices to yield 9%, average maturities, \$700,000 First Mtge. 7% Marine bonds. Circular shows:

Dated July 1 1920. Denom. \$1,000. Due quarterly Oct. 1 1920 to July 1 1923. Guaranteed principal and interest by the American Star Line, Inc., New York. Int. payable J. & J. in U. S. gold coin at the Agency Bank of Montreal, N. Y. City. Royal Trust Co. of Montreal, trustee. Red. at 102. U. S. Federal income taxes paid up to 2%. Tax refund in Penna.

Security.—Secured by a first closed mortgage on the British steel steamship "North Pacific" of 8,400 tons d. w. capacity built in 1913, and appraised at \$1,554,000, or at the rate of \$185 per d. w. ton, on July 31 1920.

Company.—Incorp. in 1918 in Newfoundland. Is affiliated with the American Star Line, Inc., New York, by whom this vessel is operated under a contract effective during the life of this issue. The American Star Line, Inc. owns, directly or by stock ownership, and operates a fleet of 9 vessels of 4,028 total d. w. tons capacity, having a total value (as reported) over \$7,000,000.

Earnings.—Net earnings of the above vessel for the current fiscal year are estimated at \$400,000.

New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Div. Incr.

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 2%, payable Sept. 30 to holders of record Sept. 22.

President Matt. B. Jones says: "Our stock has been upon a 7% dividend basis since 1911. Since then the cost of all materials, wages, &c., has gone up by leaps and bounds. Sound corporation bonds which formerly sold on a 4 1/2% to 5% basis now pay the investor 7 1/2% to 8%. For these reasons our stock has persistently sold below par. The laws governing the company do not permit the issue of stock at less than par. They also require that new plants shall be paid for with new capital. To provide for the growing requirements of the community the company must pay a fair return upon the money that has been risked in the enterprise."—V. 110, p. 2296.

New Idria Quicksilver Mining Co.—Fire Damage.

It is stated that satisfactory progress is being made in reconstructing the reduction plant of the company, which was destroyed by fire on June 22. As the property destroyed by fire was covered in large part by insurance, the loss to the company, it is said, will not be large.—V. 108, p. 1169.

New York Edison Co.—Capital Increase.

The company has filed notice increasing its capital from \$66,349,400 to \$69,849,400.—V. 110, p. 2296.

New York Times Co.—To Create Preferred Stock.

The stockholders will vote Sept. 30 on increasing the capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 and to issue the additional \$4,000,000 par value of stock as 8% Cumulative non-voting redeemable Preferred stock.

Nipissing Mines Co., Ltd.—Production, &c.

Total production	August.	July.
Shipments of bullion and residue	\$289,919	\$182,111
Tons of bullion and ore treated	*\$701,981	\$129,315

* Shipments of bullion and residue for August include 598,199 fine ounces of silver.—V. 111, p. 994, 902.

Northern States Power Co. (Minn.)—Bonds Offered.

Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, are offering at 85 and int., yielding over 7.40%, \$1,500,000 First & Ref. Mtge. 6% Gold bonds of 1916, due April 1 1941. A circular shows:

Company.—Owns or controls, and operates electric light and power, gas, steam heat or other utility properties serving 233 communities located in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, North Dakota, South Dakota and Iowa. Population estimated to exceed 1,022,000.

Capitalization Outst'dg.—Total Stock \$25,689,700; Bonded Debt \$53,390,500. Common stock \$6,170,000 Minn. gen. el. 1st 5s 1934 \$7,323,000 Preferred stock 7% cumul. 19,519,700 1st & ref. bonds 1941 5s 24,567,500 10-year gold notes 7,805,000 do 6s (this issue) 1,500,000 5-year convertible gold notes 1,800,000

Earnings & Expenses Years ended July 31.

	1920.	1919.
Gross earnings	\$10,515,056	\$9,085,098
Operating expenses, incl. taxes, insurance, &c.	6,264,919	5,191,049

Net earnings \$4,250,137 \$3,894,049

Annual interest charge on above \$33,390,500 bonds 1,684,525

Balance \$2,565,612

Note.—The above statements of capitalization and earnings do not include the "Southwestern Division," the name given to three small groups of electric light and power utilities in Minnesota in which the Company has acquired a majority interest, and which have \$549,000 bonds and \$111,500 stock outstanding in hands of public.

For description of bonds see V. 104, p. 264 and compare annual report V. 110, p. 1969, 2662.

Ohio Fuel Supply Co.—Extra Dividend.

An extra dividend of 2% in Victory Loan 4½% notes has been declared on the capital stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2½% in cash, both payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Sept. 30. In Jan. and July last and in Jan. and July 1919 2½% each was paid extra in Liberty bonds.—V. 111, p. 499.

Pacific Gas & Electric Co. of San Francisco.—Subsidiary Company Bonds.

The Mount Shasta Power Co., San Francisco, owned and operated by the Pacific Gas & Electric Co., has made application to the California RR. Commission for permission to issue bonds for \$125,000,000, the proceeds to be used for the construction of five new electric generating plants on the Pitt River.—V. 111, p. 995.

Paragon Refining Co.—Stock Listed.

The Pittsburgh Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 320,000 shares Common stock (par \$25).

Earnings.—As reported to Pittsburgh Stock Exchange:*Earnings Year ended March 31 1920.*

	Gross earnings (gasoline, \$1,849,651; crude benzine, \$563,061; fuel oil, \$1,583,259; tar, \$223,469; paraffine, \$148,361; refined oil, \$398,066; lubricating oil, \$120,304; crude oil, &c., \$9,413; interest earned, \$87,680; miscellaneous, \$189,967) \$5,173,233	
Operating expenses (production, \$2,339,353; pipelines, \$717,482; refining, \$558,493; tank stations, \$272,581; gen. exp., \$303,007) \$1,490,916		
Net earnings \$982,316		
Deduct—Int., \$29,733; divs., Pref., \$97,998; Com., \$560,000 687,731		
Surplus earnings \$294,586		

Earnings Nine Months ending July 31 1920.

	Gross.	Net.	Gross.	Net.
November	\$405,250	\$89,642	April	\$768,477
December	569,796	136,426	May	805,517
January	558,398	123,024	June	877,715
February	590,921	127,475	July	1,335,021
March	708,371	164,115		280,757
Total, nine months			\$6,619,465	\$1,579,234

Common Dividends.—Initial 1¼% Feb. 1 1917; May 1 1917, 1¼%; Aug. 1 1917. May 1 1918, paid 1½%; Aug. 1 1918 and each quarter since, 2½% has been paid. Pref. stock outstanding, 7% Cum., \$1,420,100. Compare V. 110, p. 172, 1754, 1855.

Pennsylvania Utilities System.—Earnings.

(Incl. Pennsylvania Utilities Co., Eastern Pennsylvania Power Co., and Eastern Gas Works.)

Results for June and Twelve Months Ended June 30.

	1920—June—1919.	Inc.	Year 1919-20.
Operating revenues	\$150,795	\$138,522	8.8%
Oper. exp., taxes & rentals	x134,635	93,777	x43.5%
Operating income	\$16,159	\$44,745	dec. 64.0%
Int. on \$738,000 East. Gas Works 5s; \$3,930,000 Penn. Util. Co. 1st 5s "A"; \$137,000 Penn. Util. Co. 1st 5s "F"; \$1,125,000 Penn. Util. Co. 10-yr. 6% notes			\$544,301

Balance after aforesaid interest charges \$235,181
x Abnormal increase in expenses due to inability to secure contract coal owing to railroad car shortage thereby necessitating purchase of "spot coal" wherever possible at extremely high prices.

y Includes other income.—V. 109, p. 2177.

People's Gas Light & Coke Co., Chicago.—Condition.

President Samuel Insull is quoted as saying in substance: "For the first 5 months of 1920 the company ran behind each month and did not earn within \$1,250,000 of its fixed charges for this period. It is now earning its proportion of fixed charges and a surplus. Expenses run higher than estimates because of high coal, coke and oil costs. Labor has increased in effectiveness this month."

Company has considerable indebtedness for goods purchased, and it will take six to nine months to liquidate accumulated accounts. Sales, have increased, and the manufacturing capacity is taxed to the utmost. Relief, as to cost of manufacture and capacity, will come some time next year, with completion of new coal gas plant and water gas plant, both of which are now being constructed for the company by Koppers Co. of Pittsburgh.—V. 111, p. 596.

Petroleum Corp. of America.—Receiver Asked.

In a suit filed in the Supreme Court by 28 stockholders, who ask for the appointment of a receiver of the property and for an injunction restraining the Empire Trust Co. as trustee under a deed of trust executed Aug. 1 1919, from taking action to foreclose on the mortgage, charges of improvidence and neglect of duty "amounting to fraud" on the part of officers and directors of the company are made. Among the persons named are Alwyn Ball, Jr., Pres.; Edward A. Clark, Edwin B. Cadwell, Charles R. Flint, George H. Gudebrod, Raymond D. Fuller, Burr E. Clements and James R. Carlton. See N. Y. "Times" of Sept. 22 and compare V. 109, p. 1279.

Phillips Petroleum Co.—Earnings, &c.

Net earnings in July, before taxes, depreciation and depletion, are understood to have been in excess of \$600,000, the best month thus far. The company, it is stated, has recently opened up several valuable properties in the Osage field in conjunction with the Gypsy Oil Co., a subsidiary of Gulf Oil Corporation.—V. 111, p. 596.

Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.—To Increase Capital and Acquire Alkali Plant—To Absorb Also Subsidiary Companies and Declare 20% Stock Dividend—Status, &c.—The stockholders will vote Oct. 5 (a) on increasing the authorized Capital stock from \$25,000,000 (consisting of \$24,850,000 Common and \$150,000 12% Pref.) to \$37,500,000 all Common, the Pref. stock to be retired forthwith; (b) on acquiring property &c. of Columbia Chemical Co.; (c) on absorbing by consolidation all the subsidiary companies.

Digest of Letter of Chairman William L. Clause, Pittsburgh, Sept. 17.

Acquisition of Property and Business of Columbia Chemical Co.—In manufacturing glass products your company uses large and increasing quantities of soda ash. The company now has an opportunity to insure its full requirements of alkali at the cost of manufacture, by the acquisition of the chemical plant and business of the Columbia Chemical Co. Organized in Pennsylvania with present outstanding capital stock of \$5,966,000, and net assets worth far in excess of that amount; its average earnings and dividends on capital and surplus, for the 18 years of its existence, have considerably exceeded those of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.

The plant, located at Barberton, O., has a productive capacity of 700 tons of heavy chemicals per day, chiefly soda ash and caustic soda; lime fertilizer is the principal by-product. It consumes daily about 1,000 tons of coal and 1,200 tons of limestone. The company owns a fine limestone property near Zanesville, O., which is being equipped and will be in operation in November.

The consolidated company will be able to draw part of its requirements of limestone for its glass operations from this quarry, and to supply from its coal operations, a portion of the fuel needed for the chemical plant.

Subsidiary Companies.—When the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. decided to distribute its own plate glass, the necessity for the jobbing of kindred products, including window glass, art glass, paints, varnishes, dry colors, brushes, &c., soon became evident, and later in order to participate in the manufacturing profit and to secure a lasting commercial arrangement your company purchased in 1900, 49% of the Capital stock of the Patton Paint Co., and in 1901 48% of the Capital stock of Rennous, Kleinele & Co., Baltimore, subsequently acquiring a majority interest in both. Later your company received as stock dividends, a majority of the Capital stocks of the Red Wing Linseed Oil Co. and of several smaller sub-companies, at book value, amount to over 60% of such outstanding stocks. The Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. owns over 50% of the Capital stock of Patton-Pitcairn Co.

Proposed Merger.—It is proposed that the Columbia Chemical Co. and the Patton-Pitcairn Co. become consolidated with the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., on a basis outlined below. No change will be made in the holdings of the stockholders of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., except as to the small amount of Pref. stock outstanding, which will be retired on an equitable basis, so that the consolidated company, which will bear the present name, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., shall have but one class of stock.

As soon as practicable all of the assets, real and personal, of the four subsidiary companies will be transferred to the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., which thereafter will directly own and operate the paint, varnish, brush and other manufacturing plants, and there will be no minority interest in any department of the business. All of the assets of the Columbia Chemical Co., also, by virtue of the consolidation, will be directly owned and operated by the consolidated company.

Proposed Capitalization of Consolidated Company ("Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company") and Basis of Exchange.

The consolidated company will have an authorized Capital stock of \$37,500,000 of which \$30,734,200 will be issued immediately as follows:

To the present Common stockholders of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., one (\$100) share of the consolidated stock for every

(\$100) share of their present holdings \$24,750,000

To the stockholders of the Columbia Chemical Co., 8-10ths of a share of consolidated company's stock (par \$100) for every share of the stock of the Columbia Chemical Co. (par \$100) 4,772,800

To the stockholders of Patton-Pitcairn Co., one share of consolidated company's stock for every share of stock of Patton-Pitcairn Co. (par \$100) \$2,317,500

Less the present holdings of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., of stock of Patton-Pitcairn Co. 1,260,100

1,057,400

For the \$150,000 of 12% Pref. stock of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., two shares of consolidated company's stock (no preference) for every share of said Pref. stock, less treasury stock 154,000

Assets.—On the conservative book values of the assets of the consolidated company, there will be at the time of the consolidation, after deducting estimated income and excess profit taxes on the profits of the elapsed portion of 1920, and the balance of taxes payable on 1919 profits, net assets of approximately \$61,000,000

Or a surplus in excess of the Capital stock of the consolidated company, of about \$30,000,000

Aside from necessary working capital, practically all of this surplus will be represented by property. Extensive improvements have been made during the current year by all the companies entering the consolidation. The expenditures of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. for improvements have been the largest of any year in its history.

To Declare Stock Dividend.—Of the remaining unissued stock, about \$6,146,840 is provided, to be used in the discretion of the directors, for the payment of a 20% stock dividend near the end of the year.—V. 110, p. 770.

Premier Motor Corp. (of N. Y.), Indianapolis.—Notes.

It is stated that efforts are being made to induce the holders of the 5-year 5% notes, due Nov. 1 (about \$400,000 outstanding) to exchange their notes for a new issue of 7% notes, running for five years. The management, it is said, admits that it has no funds to meet maturity of the notes, and unless the noteholders accept the proposition they will have to take over the collateral behind the notes, consisting of Common and Pref. stock of the Premier Motor Corp. of Delaware.—V. 106, p. 92.

Pressed Steel Car Co.—Equipment Notes Offered.

A. G. Becker & Co. and Ames, Emerich & Co., New York and Chicago are offering at prices ranging from 99.52 and int. to 96.52 and int. to yield from 8% to 7.50% according to maturity (see advertising pages) \$2,200,000 7% Equipment Notes. Guaranteed principal and interest by Pressed Steel Car Co. Bankers state:

Dated Oct. 1 1920. Due serially \$110,000 A & O. each year from April 1 1921 to Oct. 1 1930, incl. Red. all or part on any int. date, upon 30 days notice at 102½%. If less than all the notes of any one maturity shall be called at any one time, notes to be redeemed shall be selected by lot by the trustee, and if less than the entire issue is called the notes of the last maturity or maturities outstanding shall be first called. Int. A. & O. payable at New York Trust Co., N. Y., Trustee. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Company agrees to pay any Fed. income tax deductible at the source not exceeding 2%.

Company.—Organized in New Jersey in 1899, to acquire the principal pressed steel car manufacturing plants in the United States. Business consists of the manufacture of steel passenger and freight cars, trucks, truck frames, bolsters, and other pressed steel specialties for wooden and steel cars.

Security.—The notes represent the obligation of the Steel Car Equipment Co., which is organized to lease cars to railroads or industrial corporations requiring their use, and all the capital stock of which is owned by the Pressed Steel Car Co. Secured by 1,000 new, all-steel self-clearing standard hopper coal cars of 55 tons capacity each, costing \$2,934,000, which provides an equity of more than 33% over the total amount of the notes issued.

Earnings.—Average annual net earnings for the past 6 years have been reported at \$2,447,364, or more than 15 times the maximum annual interest

requirements on these notes. For 1919 (See V. 110, p. 761) earnings were reported equivalent to more than 23 times these requirements.

Calendar Years 1919 1918 1917 1916 1914
Net earnings \$3,634,776 \$3,950,785 \$2,30,307 \$2,751,152 \$892,351
Compare "Annual Report" in V. 110, p. 761, 1648.

Producers & Refiners Corp., Denver.—Earnings.

<i>Condensed Statement of Earnings and Expenses for June 1920 and June 1919.</i>					
	<i>Gross Income.</i>	<i>Expenses.</i>	<i>Net Income.</i>	<i>Net to Gross.</i>	
June 1920	\$619,150	\$212,121	*\$407,029	66%	
June 1919	219,712	183,219	36,492	17%	
Increases	\$399,438	\$28,902	\$370,537		

—V. 111, p. 1190, 799.

Punta Alegre Sugar Co.—Dividend Increased.

A dividend of \$2 per share (4%) has been declared on the Common stock (par \$50), payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Oct. 1. Quarterly dividends of 2½% have been paid from Pct. 1919 to July 1920, incl.—V. 111, p. 499.

Railway & Light Securities Co.—Earnings.

<i>July 31 Years</i>					
	1919-20	1918-19	1917-18		
Interest dividends, &c., received	\$293,070	\$286,095	\$292,125		
Bond interest, taxes and expenses	134,332	133,312	134,932		
Profit from income	\$158,738	\$152,783	\$157,193		
Profit on securities sold, &c.	12,708	25,977	8,290		
Total income	\$171,446	\$178,760	\$165,483		
Preferred dividends (6%)	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$90,000		
Common dividends (6%)	60,000	60,000	60,000		
Balance, surplus	\$21,446	\$28,760	\$15,483		

—V. 111, p. 1080.

Ralston Steel Car Co., Columbus, O.—Obituary.

President Joseph S. Ralston died Sept. 11 in Columbus, Ohio.—V. 106 p. 2014.

Rand Mines, Ltd.—New Certificates Ready.

Permanent certificates are now ready for delivery at the Bankers Trust Co., 14 Wall St., N. Y., in exchange for the present outstanding temporary certificates.—V. 111, p. 1190, 902.

Remington Typewriter Co.—Common Dividend.

President F. N. Kondolf, referring to reports that the directors had decided to omit the Common dividend for two years, says: "The report is absolutely without foundation. There is no resolution on the corporation's minute book to the effect that no dividend will be paid on the Common stock for two years or any period. The question of a dividend on the Common stock has been discussed at several meetings of the directors, and at the last meeting held Sept. 14 it was discussed but no action was taken."—V. 111, p. 500.

(Dwight P.) Robinson & Co., Inc.—Initial Dividend.

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 2 11-12% on the First Pref. stock for the five months ending Sept. 30, and a dividend of 2½% on the Second Pref. stock, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20.—V. 110, p. 2573.

San Francisco Gas & Electric Co.—Bonds Called.

One hundred (\$100,000) General Mtge. 4½% 30-year sinking fund gold bonds have been called for payment Nov. 1 at 105 and int. at the Union Trust Co. of San Francisco.—V. 93, p. 875.

Santa Cecilia Sugar Corp.—Chairman, &c.

Lindsay Hopkins, of Atlanta, has been elected Chairman. A quarterly dividend of 25c. has been declared on the Common stock, no par value, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 1½% on the Pref. stock, both payable Nov. 1 to holders of record Oct. 15.—V. 111, p. 500.

Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago.—Reduces Prices.

This company and Montgomery Ward & Co. have issued new lists cutting their regular catalogue prices from 10 to 20% on several lines of merchandise, notably cotton staples, such as muslins, cambrics, sheetings and poplins. There were cuts in both men's and women's ready-to-wear clothes, shoes and corsets. Food prices were not marked lower as a whole.—V. 111, p. 995.

Shawmut Steamship Co.—Over 90% of Stock Exchanged for American Ship & Commerce Corp. Securities.

A little over 90% of the Shawmut Steamship Co. stock accepted the proposal for exchange into securities of the American Ship & Commerce Corp. Of the 132,000 shares of Shawmut stock outstanding, approximately 120,000 shares approved, about 65% taking the Ship & Commerce 10% notes and 35% electing to take the stock.—(Boston News Bureau)—Compare V. 111, p. 1089, 902.

Sinclair Consol. Oil Corp.—Stock for Employees.

The company has adopted a plan which will enable the employees to acquire shares in the corporation on deferred payments and thus participate in the profits of the company. The stock which is offered to employees has been or will be acquired by the corporation, and the plan will not increase the outstanding number of shares.

The Common shares are offered to employees at \$35 a share, and the stock shall be paid for in year in easy monthly installments. The Pref. stock is offered at \$85 a share, and similar easy monthly payments are provided.

Whenever employment terminates before the full payments have been made, the subscriber will receive the full amount of payments made, plus 5% interest. If an employee subscriber dies or is permanently disabled, the company will pay to his estate or to him, if he so desires, the full amount of payments made plus 5% interest.—V. 111, p. 1190.

Southern Wisconsin Electric Co.—Bonds Offered.

Morris F. Fox & Co., Milwaukee, recommend for investment this company's 1st M.6% Gold bonds of 1916 and due Jan. 1 1936. A circular shows:

<i>Capitalization (June 30 1920)</i>	<i>Authorized.</i>	<i>Outstanding.</i>
First mortgage 6% bonds, due 1936	\$1,000,000	\$462,100
Preferred stock, 7% cumulative	250,000	x21,300
Common stock	158,300	136,100

In May 1920, company sold \$34,900 Preferred stock at par, distributed amongst 132 of its customers. A part was sold on the installment plan and only that fully paid is shown above.

Earnings Years ended June 30.

6 Mos. 1916. 1916-17. 1917-18. 1918-19. 1919-20.
Gross earnings \$78,743 \$89,363 \$110,196 \$130,976 \$172,490
Net, after oper. exp. \$127,912 and add. merch sales, \$28,327 72,905
Bond interest actual 27,207

Balance, surplus \$45,698
Compare V. 104, p. 1050.

Southwest Metals Co.—Financial Plan.

See Consolidated Arizona Smelting Co. above.

Steel & Tube Co. of America.—Earnings.

Results for Aug. and 8 Mos. ended Aug. 31 1920 August 8 Months.
Sales \$8,181,924 \$56,305,680
Cost of sales 6,807,303 46,752,601
Miscellaneous income Cr. 45,977 Cr. 316,049
Miscellaneous charges & reserve for Federal taxes 301,070 1,476,845
Interest on funded and other indebtedness 145,155 1,125,368
Proportion of preferred dividend 102,083 816,666

Net earnings \$872,289 \$6,450,248
—V. 111, p. 903.

Superior & Boston Copper Co.—Delinquent Stock.

The company announces that all shares of stock which are delinquent in the payment of Assessment No. 9 of \$1 per share, payable Aug. 8 1919, will

be sold at public auction in the city of Globe, Ariz., on Oct. 15. The stock may be redeemed before the date set for said sale by payment of assessment with interest at 6% and cost of advertising. Remittances should be made to the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Boston.—V. 109, p. 180.

Superior Steel Corporation.—Semi-Annual Report.

<i>Six Months ending June 30</i>		
	1920.	1919.
Net sales	\$6,451,843	\$3,056,041
Cost of sales	4,471,233	2,386,219
Gross profit	\$1,980,510	\$669,822
Miscellaneous income	49,943	53,268
Gross income	\$2,030,453	\$723,090
Admin., &c., exp., ord. taxes, deprec., &c.	236,071	269,849
Federal tax reserve	629,873	45,675
Sinking fund, &c.	246,437	82,500
Dividends	326,309	306,023
Balance, surplus	\$591,764	\$19,043

—V. 111, p. 196.

Swift & Co.—Opposition to Dissolution Plan.—The Federal Trade Commission, in opposing the sale of the "Big Five" packers' stock yards to a holding company to be formed by F. H. Prince & Co., Boston, says in part:

The long-time stock yards relations of F. H. Prince with the packers have been such that the plan as outlined will not result, in opinion of the commission, in divorce of the stock yards from packer interest, but will result in infraction of the monopoly law, greater and more serious than the existing infraction.

That the plan presented will result in a greater monopolization of stock yards service of the country than now exists is shown by the fact that it will amalgamate into one holding company 15 of the principal stock yards in which the different packers now hold varying interests. These 15 yards handle 73% of the animals received at all stock yard markets in the country. The offers of contracting parties embodied in the plan provide for retention of an interest of "less than 50%" in the holding companies, but in no way indicate this interest is to be other than permanent. At present the packer defendants show an ownership in these yards that amounts to 38% of the total voting stock outstanding. The plan permits the defendants hold up to 40% of the holding company's stock.

Furthermore, some of the family estates, trust funds, &c., are large holders in these stock yards. The plan makes no provision for the divestment of the non-defendant packer interests, nor to prevent further equalization up to the complete control or total ownership of the stock yards holding company by the non-defendant packer interests. The non-defendant packer interests own 17% of the voting stock of the 15 yards, in addition to the 38% owned by defendant packers. Quite as readily it might be from 66% to 100%.

In brief, though the decree provides for a total divestment of stock interest by the defendants, this plan leaves the way open for them and the non-defendant packer interests temporarily, and for the non-defendant packer interests permanently, to acquire absolute control of a holding company that will own 15 of the principal yards of the country, whereas now they have majority control of but 11 of the 16.

F. H. Prince, in reply to the above report, said:

"The commission overlooks the fact that the court to which the plan has been submitted has the power to investigate this aspect of the case and to impose such conditions as it may think necessary to make the separation certain and permanent. There can be no competition between stock yards or terminals handling other commodities in different cities except in the sense that there is competition between the cities themselves."

The plan of the packers to dispose of their stock yard interests to F. H. Prince & Co. of Boston had not been amended by them when the time limit set by the District of Columbia Supreme Court expired on Sept. 21. The failure of the packers to amend the plan will enable the Department of Justice to present the Government's view to the Court before the expiration of the time limit on Sept. 28.—V. 111, p. 996, 1190.

(J. V.) Thompson Coal Properties, Uniontown, Pa.

By virtue of a decree of the U. S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania in the case of John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, and against Josiah V. Thompson, et al. J. W. Clark, special master, will offer for sale at public auction, Oct. 1, at the Allegheny County Court House, Pittsburgh, 7,000 shares of the capital stock of the Wetzel Coal & Coke Co. (of W. Va.) and 3,000 shares of the capital stock of the Liberty Coal Co. (of W. Va.).—V. 110, p. 2199.

Timken-Detroit Axle Co.—Dividends Reduced.

President A. R. Demory says that the decision to pay a dividend of 2% bi-monthly, in place of the usual 4%, was reached "notwithstanding the fact that total shipments for the first half of the year were \$25,914,128, against \$14,409,915 for the corresponding period of last year." This largely increased output made it necessary for us to greatly expand our factory and increase our inventories, to keep up with the demand which had been put upon us by our customers. Owing to general business conditions there has been a let up in the demand, with the result that our output for the last half of this year will be less than for the first half."

For the 6 months ending June 30 1920 net earnings after taxes were \$1,939,697, from which dividends amounting to \$655,833 were paid, leaving surplus of \$1,283,864. Profit and loss surplus on June 30 1920 amounted to \$11,459,444.

On Sept. 21 the company was reported to have canceled contracts with the steel makers involving approximately 20,000 tons of various products on account of withdrawals of orders for axles and bearings by the automobile companies.—V. 111, p. 700, 80.

Tonopah (Nev.) Mining Co.—Dividends Resumed.

A dividend of 5% has been declared on the stock payable Oct. 21 to holders of record Sept. 30. In Oct. 1919, a semi-annual dividend of 15% was paid; none since. The labor situation at the Tonopah and Divide mining camps has become more settled and operations are said to be almost normal.—V. 110, p. 1420.

Triangle Film Corp. and Sub. Cos.—Bal. Sheet July 3.

	1920.	1919.		1920.	1919.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$
Studios, props. and equipment	290,331	972,917	Common stock	4,500,075	5,000,075
Inv. in other cos.	2,187	270,135	Preferred stock	505,500	244,300
Inv., bds. & mtgs.	150,000	—	Minor. stockholders'	—	—
Released neg. (depr. value), good-will, trade-marks	5,385,035	4,997,744	Int. in sub. cos.	248,400	416,060
Unrel. neg. (cost val.)	9,789	328,488	Notes payable	159,999	277,630
Inventories	77,981	130,951	Accounts payable	140,872	189,626
Cash	37,537	49,317	Administrative	47,714	—
Accounts receivable	88,151	68,860	Film rentals	—	352,361
Purch. acct. N. Y.	55,000	—	Miscellaneous	—	24,118
M. Pic. cap. stk.	11,740	—	Reserve for taxes	53,944	96,693
Lenox Produc'g Co.	—	824,127	Other reserves	—	381,675
Triangle Distr. Corp.	2,743	11,464	Surplus	453,999	671,465
Deferred assets	—	—	Total	6,110,494	7,654,003
Total	6,110,494	7,654,003	Total	6,110,494	7,654,003

—V. 111, p. 700.

Union Land & Cattle Co.—Bonds Retired.

Federal Judge E. S. Farrington, of Nevada, has issued an order directing Receiver W. T. Smith to retire a \$60,000 bond issue which matured Sept. 2 1920, and to pay \$30,600 interest upon a balance of \$1,020,000 still outstanding. The company went into receivership on the request of the First National Bank of San Francisco, with the consent of the directors. See V. 111, p. 700, 597.

United Cigar Stores Corporation.—Sales Increase.

Sales, exclusive of agencies, in the first 14 days of September showed an increase of \$825,837, or 39%, over 1919,

United Shoe Machinery Co.—Govt. Files Appeal.

The Government has filed a cross appeal in the U. S. Supreme Court in connection with appeals already instituted by the company growing out of Federal court decrees sustaining the principal contentions made by the Government in proceedings brought in St. Louis against the company under the Clayton Act. Compare V. 110, p. 1421, 2289, 2393; V. 111, p. 800.

U. S. Mail Steamship Co., Inc.—New President—German Operating Contract Submitted to Shipping Board.

Francis R. Mayer has been elected President.

The company and the North German Lloyd Steamship interests have submitted to the U. S. Shipping Board for consideration and approval a contract providing for joint operation of the vessels of both lines in passenger and freight service between Germany and the American Atlantic ports.—V. 111, p. 700.

Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Co.—Stock Dividend.

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange has ruled that the capital stock be not quoted ex stock dividend on Sept. 30 and not until Nov. 1.—Compare V. 111, p. 1190, 598.

(V.) Vivaudou, Inc.—Earnings.

<i>Quarter Ending—</i>	June 30 1920. Mar. 31 1920
Net earnings, before taxes	\$343,525
V. 110, p. 2495.	■ \$278,082

Wabasso Cotton Co., Ltd.—No Par Value Shares.

The stockholders recently voted to increase the Common stock from \$17,500 shares to 35,000 shares and to convert the par of the shares from \$100 to no par value. The stockholders will receive two of the no par value shares for each share of \$100 par.—V. 111, p. 500, 700.

Waring Hat Mfg. Corp.—Initial Dividend.

An initial dividend of \$2.33 per share has been declared on the Pref. stock for the 3½ months ending Sept. 30, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 21. This is at the annual rate of \$8 per share (\$2 quarterly).—V. 111, p. 996, 503.

(Raphael) Weill & Co. (The White House), San Francisco.—Stock Offered.

Stephens & Co., San Francisco, are offering, at 104 flat, \$400,000 capital stock to their customers. The bankers state:

Company—The White House was established under the name of Davidson & Lane in 1854 as a general store dealing in dry goods, &c. In 1884 name changed to Raphael Weill & Co., a partnership. In 1870 the trade name of "The White House" was adopted, and in 1895 the business was incorporated in California as Raphael Weill & Co.

The White House to-day is perhaps the largest establishment in San Francisco in point of volume of sales and number of customers serving a discriminating public in high-grade dry goods and wearing apparel. One of the chief elements of strength is its foreign connections, more particularly its Paris and London buying organization.

Capitalization.—Authorized, \$5,000,000 (par \$100). To be presently outstanding, \$4,250,000; held in treasury for future corporate purposes, \$750,000.

Company has no Preferred stock or funded debt with the exception of a collateral trust note issue amounting to \$750,000, maturing serially Dec. 1920 to 1924, inclusive, secured by pledge with trustee, of U. S. Government, California, State and municipal, and high-grade railroad bonds.

Until quite recently capitalization was \$1,500,000, which was increased to \$5,000,000, of which \$1,500,000 has been issued to former stockholders as a 100% stock dividend. \$1,250,000 has been offered to stockholders for subscription, three-quarters of which has been subscribed by stockholders in the United States, but, due to the present condition of foreign exchange, the French stockholders could not avail themselves of the privilege, and there is therefore offered for public subscription approximately 4,000 shares (at 104 flat).

Dividends.—Has an uninterrupted dividend record since the date of incorporation, except the year of the fire (1906), when the dividend was earned but not paid. Dividend has never been less than 5%; the rate for the last nine years has been 10% in addition to 100% stock dividend above. It is the intention of the directors to pay dividends at the rate of at least 8%.

Earnings.—Net earnings for 1919 were \$587,000, or about 40% on the old \$1,500,000 capital, and 12% on the new, with only two months' use of the completed and enlarged store. Sales for the first six months of this year have increased 50% over the same period last year.

Purpose.—Proceeds of \$1,250,000 capital was required to pay for enlargements and improvements, consisting of two stories added to the present building, a new ground-floor section, and the acquisition of a large four-story building on the corner of Post and Grant Ave. (the old Hastings store).

Western Power Co. of Canada, Ltd.—Option Sought on Majority of Capital Stock.

The committee named below in circular of Sept. 15 says in substance:

The undersigned individually own substantial amounts of both classes of stock, and represent a large number of other shareholders. We have been directors since organization, and previously were members of the reorganization committee.

At reorganization business in British Columbia was greatly depressed. Nevertheless, the new company has been able to earn its fixed charges, with a small margin, and the earnings are increasing. An increase in the capacity of the plant by raising the height of the dam at Stave Lake and the installation of a fourth turbine, should considerably increase the earning capacity, but would require considerable time and new financing which, under present conditions, would be expensive and perhaps difficult.

The foregoing being the situation, the undersigned were recently approached by parties seeking an option upon a majority of the Pref. and Common stock. After consultation with majority holders, we are convinced that a sale upon the terms suggested would be advantageous.

Acting as a committee, at the suggestion of other shareholders, we have entered into an agreement with Chartered Trust & Executor Co. of Toronto, under which the latter is given an option until Nov. 1 1920 (which in certain events may be extended to Jan. 15 1921), upon all voting trust certificates deposited with the Canadian Bank of Commerce either at its office, 183 St. James St., Montreal, or its branch office, 16 Exchange Place, N. Y., on or before Nov. 1 1920, in exchange for certificates of deposit.

The option price is \$70 per share for the Pref. stock; \$35.10 per share for the Common stock, both payable in Canadian currency at the time the option is exercised.

Upon the deposit of \$2,813,600 (56.27%) par value of the Common stock and \$441,900 (51.99%) of the Pref. stock, the purchaser will pay \$1 per share (Canadian currency) to the depository for account of the depositors, to be paid over to the depositors as part of the purchase price if the option is exercised, and otherwise as a consideration for the option. The purchaser will pay for stock transfer stamps and the committee will serve without compensation, so that the purchase price will be net to the depositors. No expenses will be charged against the depositing stockholders, whether the option be exercised or not.

[Signed by Murray H. Coggeshall, 128 Broadway, N. Y., and Bayard Dominick, 115 Broadway, N. Y., committee.]—V. 106, p. 404.

Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co.—To Create \$30,000,000 Debt and Increase Common Stock from \$71,000,000 to \$121,000,000 for Conversion or Other Purposes as Directors May Deem Proper—Financial Statement.

The stockholders will vote Nov. 18 on the following:

(1) On increasing the company's indebtedness in the sum of \$30,000,000; (2) on increasing the Capital stock from \$75,000,000 (consisting of \$71,000,000 Common and \$4,000,000 Pref.) to \$125,000,000, the additional stock to be Common stock;

(3) If such increase in indebtedness be favorably acted upon, on authorizing the directors, from time to time and at any time, and in their discretion, to issue, sell, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, at such prices and otherwise upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, bonds, debentures, notes or other obligations, such obligations to be in such principal amounts, to bear such rates of interest, to be payable at such times, to be issued in such manner and to contain such terms and provisions (in-

cluding provisions for their conversion into stock of this company, if the directors shall so determine) as they may deem proper.

(4) If such increase in Capital stock be favorably acted upon, on authorizing the directors, in their discretion, from time to time and at any time, to set aside all or any part of said additional Common stock and to use the same for conversion into such stock of obligations of the company, at any time outstanding, at such prices and upon such terms as the directors may determine, and on authorizing the directors, in their discretion, from time to time and at any time, to issue all or any of such additional Capital stock, not set aside or used for conversion purposes, for such purposes (including any lawful distribution among stockholders and also the sale of part thereof to employees) and in such manner as the directors may deem proper.

Data from Letter of Chairman Guy E. Tripp, New York, Sept. 18 1920.

Growth of Electrical Business.—The growth of the electrical manufacturing business has been phenomenal. Since 1914 the capacity and output of the company's plants have about doubled, while by reason of increased costs and prices the volume of sales has almost quadrupled. Unfilled orders on the books at the present time exceed \$95,000,000, an increase of about \$24,000,000 in five months. This volume of business, coupled with the increased prices of labor and raw materials, requires a substantial increase in the capital to enable the company to carry enlarged inventories and the increased volume of customers' accounts. Directors do not in this period of high costs contemplate a policy of extensive plant expansion.

Future Possibilities.—It is the opinion of your board that the electrical manufacturing field never presented such possibilities for continued large business as at present. The increased cost of fuel and the demand for its conservation will result not only in the development of water powers, but also, it is believed, in the establishment of large central steam power stations located near the coal fields. The electrification of railroads has been demonstrated as the best solution of the pressing traffic problems in many congested districts and mountain sections, while the demand for the products of your company for use in the marine field is rapidly increasing. There is also a daily broadening use of electricity in the daily life of the people. If company is to take full advantage of the opportunities thus offered it must add to its permanent capital investment.

Current Borrowings.—Company's current borrowings now approximate \$30,000,000 which the directors believe should be provided for all or a large part debt by the issue of obligations of a longer maturity, under existing conditions.

Consolidated and Condensed Statement of Income for Four Months ended July 31.

	1920.	1919.
Net profit from operations	\$4,726,556	\$2,019,524
Other income	402,533	473,196
Total income	\$5,129,089	\$2,492,720
Interest charges	364,886	558,639
Net income	\$4,764,203	\$1,934,081

	July 31 '20.	Mar. 31 '20.	
Assets—			
Fact'y pl'ts-rl.			\$
estate,bldgs.			\$ 998,700
equip., &c.,	42,920,366	39,347,074	Common stock
Stks.,bds., deb.,			70,813,950
incl. of oth. co.			70,813,950
incl. those of			
European &			
Canadian cos.	11,916,355	13,216,532	First & ref. M.,
Cash accounts	8,474,215	7,966,290	due 1940
Notes & acc'ts receivable	34,781,666	30,912,539	5% bonds due
Inventories	75,034,310	63,018,123	1926
Pats., charters & franchises	4,885,038	4,931,833	13-yr. 5% notes
Ins., taxes, &c.,	735,094	306,540	Real est. purch.
paid in adv.			money mtge.
Def. charges	50,845	35,390	Notes payable
			Acc'ts payable
			9,773,849
			Int., taxes, &c., acr., not due
			8,793,282
			Div.on pref.stk.
			79,974
			Div.on com. stk.
			4,416,279
			Adv. payments on contracts
			4,613,943
			Unp. debts, int.
			1,664,390
			Res. & def. cred.
			5,165,033
			4,085,866
			Prof. & loss, sur.
			46,807,242
			43,435,764
			Total
			178,797,889
			159,734,320
			Total
			178,797,890
			150,734,320

Compare annual report in V. 110, p. 2289, 2574.

Whalen Pulp & Paper Mills, Ltd.—Directorate.

Sir George Bury has resigned from the Presidency and the board. The new board of directors is as follows: A. H. Douglas and Walter McLachland, representing British shareholders; R. Higgins of the Zellerbach Paper Co., San Francisco; James Whalen, Alexander Smith of Peabody, Houghtelling & Co., Chicago; L. W. Killam, President Royal Securities Corp.; Prof. Lawrence Killam, University of British Columbia; T. W. McCarty, Toronto; F. F. Cole, N. Y.; W. D. Ross, Vice-President of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., and M. J. Haney, Toronto, who was recently appointed a director of the Riordan Pulp & Paper Co.—V. 111, p. 200.

White Oil Corporation.—Earnings.

	July 1920 and 7 Months ending July 31 1920.
July.	7 Mos.
Net oper. earnings	\$460,137
Excess of market val.	\$1,695,187
over cost of oil in storage	78,171
	1,401,856
Reserves for Federal taxes, &c.	150,000
Interest	11,174
Miscellaneous	29,304
	83,749
Surplus	\$347,830
	\$1,895,143

	Aug.	July.	June.	May.
Net production (bbls.)	192,348	185,253	144,746	166,505

The number of wells on Aug. 31 1920, were: Producing, 214; drilling, 31; rigs up, 7.

Otis H. Cutler, Chairman of the board of the American Brake Shoe & Foundry Co. has been elected a director.—V. 111, p. 598, 80.

Wolverine Copper Mining Co.—Production (in lbs.).

1920—August—1919	Decrease	1920—8 Mos.—1919	Decrease
225,734	402,822	177,088	2,237,125
V. 111, p. 598.			3,241,350

(Wm.) Wrigley, Jr. Co.—Acquisition.

William Wrigley, Jr., is said to have acquired control of the Gunnison Valley Sugar Co. of Utah for \$400,000 in order to supply the sugar needs of his factories.—V. 111, p. 491, 506.

CURRENT NOTICES

Spencer Trask & Co., Chicago, have issued a comprehensive circular, giving full information on the Allied Chemical & Dye Corporation to be formed by the consolidation of the Barrett Company, General Chemical Co., National Aniline & Chemical Co., Inc., the Solvay Process Co. and Semet-Solvay Co.

C. F. Anderson, formerly of the bond department of Bernhard, Scholle & Co., having just returned from a transcontinental trip, is now associated with the bond department of Miller & Co.

Roosevelt & Son, 30 Pine St., New York City, have issued a pamphlet entitled "The Preferred Security of the American Investor." It is short, to the point and very sound. The pamphlet is offered for free distribution.

C. J. Heyne, formerly with Schmidt & Deery, Pittsburgh branch, has been appointed manager of Anderson, Brown & Co.'s Pittsburgh office at 323 Fourth Avenue.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. has been appointed co-transfer agent and co-registrar of stock of the National Refining Co., and also transfer agent of the stock of the Dingwall Oil Producing Corporation.

McCoy & Co., Chicago, announce that Theodore E. Joiner has become a Vice-President of their corporation, in charge of sales.

The death is announced of George T. Rice,

Reports and Documents.

COSDEN AND COMPANY (DELAWARE)

and Subsidiary Companies

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AND INCOME ACCOUNT AS OF JUNE 30, 1920

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

Cosden and Company (of Delaware) was organized in July, 1917, and acquired through ownership of stocks and bonds several related companies theretofore separately operated. At the time of its organization it provided funds for the purpose of retiring certain purchase money obligations acquiring additional property and making improvements at the West Tulsa refinery. Since then large sums have gone into the property out of earnings, resulting in a considerable reduction of debt and a great increase in values and of earning power.

The total amount that has been spent on the property from Aug. 31 1917 to June 30 1920, is \$21,300,122, divided as follows:

Reduction of debt	\$4,279,411
New leaseholds	1,738,952
Additions to property	8,420,157
Pipe lines	2,067,738
Tank cars	1,730,095
Drilling (charged off)	3,063,769

of which about \$6,000,000 was provided by sale of Common stock and \$1,000,000 by sale of stocks held as investments. In addition there has been paid out in cash dividends from Sept., 1917, to June 30 1920, \$4,725,099.60.

There is now outstanding \$215,000 in Car Trust Certificates against approximately 2,200 steel tank cars, and payment of these certificates is provided for out of 1920 earnings.

The net working capital at Dec. 31 1917 amounted to \$2,430,945, while at June 30 1920 net working capital was more than \$7,000,000 over and above current liabilities.

The Company in the last three years has been entirely developed out of earnings, and has not called on the public or its security holders for any additional capital.

The enlargement of the refining capacity and the installation of a complete cracking plant have resulted in an increase of fifty per cent in the recovery of gasoline and kerosene, and have increased the amount of crude run through the refinery from 15,000 barrels daily in 1917 to 30,000 barrels daily in 1920. The monthly output of gasoline is now approximately 13,000,000 gallons.

Sales for the first six months of 1920 show an increase of nearly 75% over the same period in 1919.

The earnings for the six months ending June 30 1920 were \$6,632,587, after deducting all interest and taxes (Federal taxes estimated), but before depreciation and depletion, which earnings are at the rate of more than \$15 per share for the year.

The earnings for the same period in 1919 were \$4,281,533, an increase of \$2,351,054, so that the results for the year are expected to show earnings after interest and taxes of over \$12,000,000, while the average for the last three years has been \$8,600,000.

It may, therefore, reasonably be expected that the end of 1920 will see Cosden and Company in a stronger financial position than at any other time in its history, and that the present fiscal year will be by far the most prosperous the company has ever enjoyed.

J. S. COSDEN, President.

New York, July 28 1920.

COSDEN AND CO. (Dela.) AND SUBSIDIARY COS. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET—AS OF JUNE 30 1920.

ASSETS.

<i>Capital Assets</i>	
Refineries, pipe lines and misc. equipment	\$17,024,096.37
Oil lands, leases, gasoline plants & misc. equip	31,816,049.59
Tank cars	3,599,579.06
<i>Investments in and Advances to Affiliated Cos.</i>	
Investments	\$736,867.50
Advances	100,500.00
Cash in hands of sinking fund trustees	837,367.50
<i>Deferred Charges</i>	
Prepaid insurance and deferred expense	336,480.77
<i>Current Assets</i>	
Cash in banks and on hand	\$1,678,139.61
Crude oil (at cost)	1,157,660.75
Refined oil (at cost)	3,355,694.48
Material and supplies (at cost)	2,887,089.49
Notes receivable	303,543.52
Accts rec (after prov for doubtful items)	3,712,688.11
United States Liberty Bonds	22,950.00
Due from employees on subscriptions to U. S. Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps	1,051.01
	13,118,816.97

<i>LIABILITIES.</i>	
Reserve for depletion of oil lands and depreciation of plant and equipment	\$14,926,110.94
<i>Capital Stock</i>	
7% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (par value of shares \$5 each)—	
Authorized	\$7,000,000.00
Unissued	3,402,960.00
Issued	\$3,597,040.00
Converted into Common stock	\$2,000.00
In treasury	510.00
	2,510.00
Outstanding	\$3,594,530.00
<i>Common Stock Without Par Value</i>	
Authorized	1,400,000 shares
Unissued	488,606 shares
Issued	911,394 shares
Held for conv of bds 151,930 shares	
In treas	41 shares
	151,971 shares
Outstanding	\$18,985,575.00
Minority shares of sub cos at book value (Held by public)	\$101,011.23
<i>Current Liabilities</i>	
Notes payable to bankers	\$1,579,184.82
Notes payable to others	443,668.13
	\$2,022,852.95
Accounts payable	2,505,747.86
Acceptances discounted	705,000.00
Accrued interest, liability insurance, state and local and 1919 Federal tax	498,383.39
Estimated amount of Federal income and excess prof. tax for period Jan 1 to June 30 '20	301,977.73
Dividends payable	751.65
Preferred dividends accrued	20,984.32
	\$6,055,697.90
<i>Bonded Indebtedness</i>	
15-year 6% conv. s. f. gold bonds of Cosden & Co. Series "A" and "B", dated July 1 1917, due July 1 1932 (since July 1 1919, Series "A" and "B" are precisely alike) auth.	\$11,423,500.00
Issued	10,740,500.00
Purchased through sinking fund	\$1,957,500.00
Purch. & canc. through annual sinking fund	613,500.00
Conv. into stock and canceled	68,000.00
Owned by Cosden & Co., Okla.	56,500.00
	2,695,500.00
Outstanding in hands of public	\$8,045,000.00
First mtge. s. f. conv. 6% gold bonds of Cosden & Co. (Okla) dated Oct. 1 1916, due Oct. 1 1926—Authorized	\$6,000,000.00
Issued	5,753,000.00
Purch. through sinking fund and canceled	2,070,000.00
Outstanding	\$3,683,000.00
Owned by Cosden & Co.	3,078,000.00
	605,000.00
Outstanding in hands of public	\$605,000.00
3-yr 6% con. mtge. gold notes of Cosden Oil & Gas Co., dated July 1 1916, due July 1 1919—Authorized	\$6,000,000.00
Converted into stock and canc.	4,000.00
	\$6,000,000.00
Outstanding	\$5,996,000.00
Owned by Cosden & Co.	5,992,000.00
	4,000.00
Outstanding in hands of public	4,000.00
<i>Purchase Money Obligations</i>	
Car trust equipment notes	\$215,997.62
Lease purchase obligations	335,980.68
	551,978.30
Items in suspense—(subsidiary cos.)	207,813.58
<i>Surplus</i>	
Balance Dec. 31 1919	\$7,739,938.93
Net earnings—six months to June 30 1920, after dividends and taxes	6,012,885.75
<i>Deduct</i>	
Proportion applicable to stocks of sub. cos. held by public	\$13,752,824.68
	35,461.23
	13,717,363.45
	\$66,794,080.40
<i>CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1920.</i>	
<i>Income</i>	
Income from refining, production and trans.	\$25,156,459.13
Interest on bonds of and loans to sub. cos.	522,565.00
Miscellaneous income	497,413.44
	\$26,176,437.57
<i>Expenditures</i>	
Cost of refining, production and transpor.	\$17,495,409.98
General and administrative expense	698,426.13
Interest and discount	525,471.65
Interest on bonds owned by and loans from Cosden & Co. (Dela.)	522,565.00
	19,241,872.76
<i>Earnings</i>	
Estimated amount of Federal income and excess profits tax for period Jan. 1 1920, to June 30 1920	\$301,977.73
Dividends paid	619,701.33
	921,679.06
Net earnings for six months ending June 30 '20	\$6,012,885.75

The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, Sept. 24 1920.

Taken as a whole business is quiet at home and abroad, and throughout the world the tendency of prices is plainly downward. Another sharp decline is reported in textiles in Japan. But the overshadowing feature of the week has been the big cuts in prices by mills, mail order houses and others throughout the United States. A wave of lower prices, in fact, has swept the country. Prices of textiles, clothing, shoes, etc., have been reduced anywhere from 10% to 33 1/2%. They have occurred in Chicago, St. Louis, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, New England, and as far west as San Francisco, where clothing has dropped 15% to 25%. All over the country the people are buying from hand to mouth. They are tired of war prices. Further declines are expected between now and Nov. 1. It is said that some of the shoe factories of Massachusetts may have to close down, partly from a lack of orders, and partly, strange as it may sound to a demand by workers for higher wages. Unusually warm weather for this time of the year, though good for the corn crop, is bad for trade in seasonal merchandise. At best sales are only fair in volume. Iron and steel are dull and steel prices somewhat weaker, coincident with cuts in prices by the Ford and Franklin Auto Companies and the idea that other concerns may follow suit. The lumber trade is less active and prices show a downward tendency. It does not look as though there will be a boom in building this fall. It is believed that it would have been much better to have allowed natural laws of trade to deal with the building situation rather than high taxation, legislation, litigation, etc., which have had the effect in New York at least of actually causing a reduction in building just at a time when the housing question is becoming more and more acute. It is said that in this city alone 40,000 persons will be without homes on moving day, October 1. One noticeable fact is that while prices are declining wages are not. Yet the time must come when there will be a liquidation of labor as well as of commodities. It will come about through the inexorable operation of economic law. In other words mills and factories will close rather than run at a loss. In a few isolated cases workers have had the alternative already, of stopping work or accepting lower wages, and then accepted lower wages.

Meanwhile the very fact that prices are declining has a tendency to make buyers hesitate to purchase with a free hand. They hope for still lower prices. Another deterrent on wholesale buying is that the mass of the people are buying sparingly. In New York and Boston there is said to be the beginning at least of a campaign by a certain element of the business population to ignore the restaurants. It is certain that food is still high. Dairy products have advanced within a week. It is true that livestock has declined, but meats are still very high. Flour is lower. Grain has declined within a week 12c. to 17c. per bushel; corn, 1c. to 4c.; oats, 6c. to 7c.; pork, \$1.50 per bbl., and cotton, \$10 to \$15 per bale. Refined sugar, raw wool and leather are also lower. The weather has been much better for both corn and cotton. Collections are somewhat better. There are more failures, but the number is much below the years previous to 1918, although larger than at this time last year, and about the same as in 1918. It looks as though there would be a large winter wheat acreage planted, larger in fact than that of last year, as the price is still attractive to the farmer. Corn, it is true, has fallen below \$1 per bushel for the first time in about three years. Prices began slowly, but with gathering momentum, to decline last May, and the belief is widespread and deep-seated that it is by no means over. In other words trade at home and abroad is slowly and more or less painfully making its way back towards the old level of the years of peace. This was inevitable and it will no doubt be brought about without any very serious consequences. This country, of course, is in far better shape than Europe, where Russia, Germany and Austria are suffering more or less from semi-starvation, and where Italy is feeling a touch of the baleful Bolshevism. Great Britain itself has to pick its way carefully. France is slowly recovering. Chicago mail houses have been cutting prices sharply. Although sugar is quoted at \$17.95 a hundred pounds, an official of the sales department of Montgomery, Ward & Co. predicts it will reach 12 1/2c. to 10c. a pound after the canning season. There is reduction of 10% to 20% on men's heavy wool garments, according to the amount of shoddy used. Standard dress goods are reduced. Silks also will remain lower. Women's made-up dresses sold at \$75 to \$80 three months ago are down to \$50 to \$60. Shoes formerly selling at \$5 to \$12 are offered at \$4 to \$9. Blankets and all textiles are coming down. Sewing machines are selling fast, which is significant of domestic economy. The Amoskeag Manufacturing Co. of Manchester, N. H., has announced a reduction of 33 1/3% in the price of manufactured cotton goods. The present weekly production of the company, which employs 10,000 operatives, is 4,000,000 yards. Fear that the cotton market, already unsettled because of heavy cancellation of orders, might reach a con-

dition similar to that which has forced the closing of the company's woolen department, is given in the announcement as the reason for the price reduction.

Pittsburgh restaurants have cut prices 38%. Boston business people are beginning to carry lunches and avoid restaurants. A similar movement is reported in New York. Abstention from buying has caused reductions in prices of wearing apparel. Restaurant prices in many cases are regarded as much too high.

There will be a resumption of mining in the Pennsylvania anthracite region, it is stated, by next Monday, after a curtailment of production of about 70%. Some 8,000 striking miners of the Pennsylvania Coal Co., at Pittston, have voted to return. The Van Owners Association of New York City announce that they will have 1,200 moving vans ready for October 1, which is expected to be the biggest moving day in the history of New York City. Officials of the International Longshoremen's Association denied a report that a strike was impending. Philip Heineken, Director-General of the North German Lloyd, on his arrival at Plymouth, England from New York, on his way to Germany, said that America would recover from world unrest more rapidly than any other Power, owing to the country's vast resources. Government officials look upon the Ford motor-car reduction in prices to about pre-war level as one of the most important steps taken by any large industrial concern toward advancing the return to what can be considered as the post-war normal basis.

An ultimatum, but one that meets with general approval, was issued by the Manchester, England, Federation of Master Cotton Spinners, declaring that all the cotton operatives will be locked out if the Oldham dispute is not settled by Sept. 28.

The betting in Wall Street on Senator Harding, Republican candidate for President of the United States, is now 6 to 1, the biggest odds it is said ever known in a Presidential campaign.

LARD quiet; prime Western 20.98@21c.; refined to the Continent 23c.; South American 23 1/4c.; Brazil in kegs 24 1/4c. Futures declined owing to falling prices for hogs of late after an early advance and outside scepticism as to the stability of a rise at this time. Packers buying was the only support at times. Exports of lard increased last week but those of meats decreased. To-day prices fell and the market closed lower than last Friday.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
September delivery	cts. 20.77	20.65	19.95	19.95	19.95	19.87
October delivery	20.80	20.70	19.97	19.95	19.95	19.87
January delivery	19.10	19.02	17.90	18.20	18.07	18.00

PORK dull; mess \$31@\$32; family \$44@\$50. September closed at \$24 40 and October also at \$24 40, a sharp decline for the week. Beef steady; mess \$19@\$20; packet \$20@\$21; extra India mess \$42@\$44. No. 1 canned roast beef \$3 40; No. 2, \$6 25. Cut meats higher; pickled hams, 10 to 20 lbs., 29 1/8@30 1/8c.; pickled bellies, 6 to 12 lbs., 26@28c. Butter, creamery extras, 62 1/2@63c. Cheese, flats, 20@29 1/4c. Eggs, fresh gathered extras, 64@65c.

COFFEE on the spot in better demand and steady; No. 7 Rio, 8c.; No. 4 Santos, 13@13 3/4c.; fair to good Cueuta, 12 1/2@13c. Futures advanced at one time on buying by those who think coffee is cheap. Possibly, too, the Brazilian Government is getting ready to give the price support. Brazilian markets have now and then rallied. Europe and Wall Street are believed to have bought here. That New York will advance is the belief of not a few if Brazil will set the pace. Later on prices advanced on steadier cables and reports that the Brazilian Government was giving support. A New Orleans dispatch to the "Journal of Commerce" says of the recent decline: "It is said that the slump in coffee prices has caused losses which may amount to \$1,500,000, to M. Levy's Sons and the financial condition New Orleans bankers seeking to find a means by which the company may be assured a solid footing. It is believed that the company has nearly 150,000 bags of coffee on hand. To-day prices declined and then rallied, closing about unchanged but easy. They are practically the same as a week ago.

September---7.30@7.35 | March-----8.36@8.38 | May-----8.60@8.61
 December---7.83@7.85 | July-----8.78@8.79

SUGAR has been as a rule quiet and more or less depressed. It is true that rather larger sales were made early in the week, including Venezuelas and San Domingos, ex-store at 10.76c. duty paid, of Porto Rico, ex-lighter at 10.76c. c.i.f. delivered; of Cuba, prompt shipment at 9 3/4c. c.&f., and Peru afloat at 9 1/2c. c.i.f.; also low grade sugars, Perus, Brazils, Muscovados and molasses at 6.50c. c.i.f. basis 89 test and at 4.75c. c.i.f. basis 82 test. But buyers in general have held aloof as refined sugar has further declined. Willett & Gray put the receipts at Atlantic ports for the week at 20,351 tons against 25,140 tons last week and 58,390 tons last year; meltings 34,000 against 46,000 last week and 71,000 last year; total stock 73,670 tons against 87,319 last week and 55,485 last year. To-day prices declined and closed weak. They are lower than a week ago. Quotations follow:

September---9.30@9.50 | December---9.27@9.35 | March-----8.75@8.80
 October---9.35@9.40 | January---8.90@8.91 | May-----8.85@8.90
 November---9.35@9.40 | February---8.75@8.80

OILS.—Linseed steady but quiet; carloads, \$1 20@\$1 22; less than carloads, \$1 23@\$1 25; five barrels or less, \$1 25@

\$1.28. Cocoanut oil, Ceylon, barrels, 17@18c.; Cochin, 15½c. Olive, \$3@\$3.15. Cod, domestic, 90@92c.; Newfoundland, 93@95c. Lard, c. a. f. prime, \$1.55@\$1.65. Spirits of turpentine, \$1.46. Common to good strained rosin, \$13.75.

PETROLEUM in good demand and steady; refined in barrels 24.50@25.50c.; bulk 13.50@14.50c.; cases 26.50@27.50c. Gasoline in heavy demand and steady at 33c. for steel barrels, 40c. for consumers wood barrels, and 50c. for gas machine. A shortage of barrels, cans and cases is said to be hampering shippers in supplying the demand for gasoline from Australia and New Zealand. Manufacturers of these containers are booked for six months to come, owing to the heavy domestic demand. The "Oil City Derrick's" August report showed a considerable increase in initial production and completions over the July total. The greatest increase in production was in the Texas-Louisiana field, which showed a total of 173,752 barrels of new production, an increase of 31,537 barrels from 1,056 wells. New work in this field, however, showed a decrease of 608. Mid-Continent's total new production was 97,098 barrels an increase of 19,473 barrels. Completions in this field were 1,315. New work decreased by 785. Kentucky also showed an increase of 1,950 barrels, with a total of 9,479 barrels. The number of completions was 255, an increase of 66. Pennsylvania showed a new production of 4,565 barrels and a total of 596 completions. The Lima-Indian divisions had a new production of 1,605 barrels, a slight improvement over the July showing.

Pennsylvania	\$6.10	Indiana	\$3.63	Strawn	\$3.00
Corning	4.25	Princeton	3.77	Thrall	3.00
Cabell	4.17	Illinois	3.77	Headton	2.75
Somerset, 32 deg. and above	4.25	Plymouth	3.98	Moran	3.00
Ragland	2.60	Kansas & Okla- homa	3.50	Henrietta	3.00
Wooster	4.05	Corsicana, light	3.00	Caddo, La., light	3.50
North Lima	3.73	Corsicana, heavy	1.75	Caddo, crude	2.50
South Lima	3.73	Electra	3.50	De Soto	3.40

RUBBER has been quiet with no news of striking interest. Manufacturers are holding aloof. Purchases are limited to small quantities. Offerings have also been light. Smoked ribbed sheets quoted at 23½c. Para up river fine higher at 29c. Central Corinto steady at 19c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS.—Shipments of grain have increased from New York on a noteworthy scale, but in general trade is quiet. Coal charters are slow with \$10, it is said, paid to the French Atlantic, Antwerp and Rotterdam and \$13 to Marseilles, or West Italy. Deals from the Bay of Fundy to the United Kingdom would it seems pay 180s. to 190s. There are 300 idle freighters in British ports and 200 in Japanese. It has been said that conference agreements rather than demand for space have supported rates. It is not believed that artificial means of sustaining them will be of any avail in the end if the supply of tonnage outruns the demand. Latterly grain charters have been quiet and there has been little doing in lumber and cotton. Coal traffic has been increasing; it overshadows pretty much everything else.

Charters included coal from Atlantic range to Bergen or Malmö \$15 October; to Antwerp or Rotterdam \$13 prompt; to French Atlantic port \$13.50 October; to Marseilles, \$14.50; to River Plate \$14.50 September-October; cement from New York to Havana \$10; coal from Atlantic range to St. Nazaire \$12 October 10; Virginia to Malmö \$15 October; nitrate of soda from Chili to a Gulf port \$12 November; grain from River Plate to New York \$10, from upper ports \$8; if lower ports also \$8 October; coal from Atlantic range to Gothenburg, Malmö, Christiania or Copenhagen \$15 October; steamer 2,916 tons 8 to 9 months' time charter 12s.; delivery United Kingdom, prompt; timber from a Gulf port to Rotterdam and one port United Kingdom 35s. October 15.

In insurance circles it is said that serious trouble appears to have developed in the cotton marine insurance situation, with the result that the great North Atlantic Marine Cotton Pool has made a cut of 20% in the marine rates.

TOBACCO has been in moderate demand and generally steady without features of striking interest. The crop is large—the largest on record in this country—and with the drift of most commodity prices downward, buyers in some cases appear to think that tobacco must follow at least to a certain extent. On the other hand, the consumption is undoubtedly large, probably larger than ever before. Tobacco growers in Virginia are carrying their tobacco back to the barns, it is stated, rather than accept the prices ruling at the opening of the season.

COPPER easier on heavy imports and a curtailed demand. Imports now amount to 6,400 tons so far this month; exports 4,536 tons. The threatened coal strike in England has latterly depressed prices in London. Electrolytic here was quoted at 18¾c. And it was reported on the 23rd instant that a sale had been made at 17.95c. a pound f. o. b. refinery. This was the lowest price seen for many months. Tin lower on the possibility of a coal strike in England and a slackening demand. Spot tin was quoted at 44c. Lead easier on big importations from foreign countries; 8c. is quoted for spot New York. Zinc like lead declined from the effects of large foreign imports. Spot east St. Louis was quoted at 7.80c. Lead and zinc ores have latterly declined \$10 a ton owing to the heavy foreign business.

PIG IRON has been quiet. Consumers seem to be well supplied. It is said that supplies in Pennsylvania and Virginia are small. But taking the market as a whole, it is so slow that mere statistics count for little. The available supply of iron seems ample for the current demand. That is the outstanding factor. And with steel more or less de-

pressed, there is no talk of stronger prices for iron in the immediate future. It is even said that the advance a while back went too far. Meanwhile, the output of pig iron is increasing. It is even predicted that October figures will be not a little interesting on this point.

STEEL has been dull and more or less weak. If outward indications are at all trustworthy the drift is towards lower prices. At Pittsburgh premium prices for sheets have relaxed. Offerings for the fourth quarter have increased on finished steel in general. Railroad buying is not active. The roads are not yet in financial shape it is intimated to buy on a big scale. There is no trouble about supplies. The output of steel products is increasing. The October total may possibly make people stare a little. In the Pittsburgh and Chicago districts big concerns have added to the number of active blast furnaces. The steel ingot output at Chicago at one case is 85% of capacity. Mild steel bars it is intimated have sold below 3 cents. There is a demand from foreign railroads for cars including New Zealand and South Africa as well as Cuba. But buyers in general are playing a waiting game. Formerly they were glad to pay anything. Now the boot is on the other leg. The "cuts" by the Ford and Franklin Auto Companies have an unsettling effect.

WOOL has been quiet. The opening of the spring goods trade has not been a success. At the recent Liverpool auction sales America bought little and Colonial wools declined except on the choicest warp merinos and the low crossbreeds. At the Cape prices are reported firm. River Plate markets are dull with large stocks. Large stocks of wool the world over are declared to be an unsettling factor not only in this country, but also in Europe. Yorkshire manufacturers it is said, are figuring on buying the new Colonial wools, which will be available in manufacturing centres toward the end of the year at prices well under present levels, which are expected to cause England to reduce her minimum price limits on her large wool holdings amounting at the end of July to nearly 1,000,000,000 pounds. This is about twice the normal annual consumption of this country. Buenos Aires the lower grade wools are now down to a pre-war basis for grades below 46s. The finer grades have also dropped a little. Some reports say that strictly fine Montana is obtainable at \$1.40 clean basis; some say less; graded fine and fine medium Montana wool of fair staple has been sold at \$1.25 @ \$1.30 clean basis. Choice fine clothing wool is quoted nominally at about \$1.20 @ \$1.25 clean basis. In London on the 21st instant, the eighth series of Government Colonial wool auctions opened with 100,300 bales of Australian and 32,700 bales of New Zealand. But there was little demand except for the finest grades. Compared with the preceding auctions superior grades fell 10%, medium inferior 15%, fine greasy crossbred 5 to 10% and medium 10%. All lower coarse crossbreds were ignored. Scoured merino crossbred dropped 10 to 15%. At Thursday's London auction there was no better demand. Withdrawals included fine wools. Prices in some cases were 5% lower. Sydney, 5,074 bales, about half being sold included greasy merinos at 28d. to 50d.; scoured merinos at 30d. to 67d.; greasy crossbreds at 18½d. to 27½d. Other Australian wools were mostly withdrawn. New Zealand 2,330 bales; about 500 medium fine greasy cross bred, 18d. to 29½d. The remainder, which consisted of scoured crossbreds and coarse greasies was neglected. In other words the London auction sales have sent prices backward. Australian sales now near at hand have already hit the price. Boston reports lower prices. On Sept. 29, the United States Government will offer 572,000 lbs. for sealed bids. This includes no choice wool.

COTTON

Friday Night, Sept. 24 1920.

THE MOVEMENT OF THE CROP, as indicated by our telegrams from the South to-night, is given below. For the week ending this evening the total receipts have reached 128,999 bales, against 77,434 bales last week and 76,219 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1920 471,693 bales, against 452,845 bales for the same period of 1919, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1920 of 18,848 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	7,435	11,337	21,547	8,628	—	4,687	53,634
Texas City	—	—	—	—	—	2,093	2,093
Houston, &c.	—	—	—	—	—	26,247	26,247
New Orleans	1,681	1,529	2,926	2,688	2,511	1,918	13,253
Mobile	66	57	33	—	32	87	275
Pensacola	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jacksonville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Savannah	2,505	2,312	7,811	4,502	6,183	7,236	30,549
Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Charleston	136	18	117	141	329	351	1,095
Wilmington	—	—	—	6	8	93	107
Norfolk	118	114	187	169	214	11	813
N'port News, &c.	—	—	—	—	—	67	67
New York	—	—	177	—	—	—	177
Boston	75	—	—	—	320	93	488
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	—	102	102
Philadelphia	99	—	—	—	—	—	99
Totals this week	12,115	15,367	32,798	16,137	9,507	42,985	128,999

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1920 and the stocks to-night, compared with last year.

Receipts to Sept. 24.	1920.		1919.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1920.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1919.	1920.	1919.
Galveston	53,634	244,950	34,266	151,321	153,325	124,302
Texas City	2,093	5,244	473	2,943	6,357	6,304
Houston, &c.	26,247	57,956	516	2,022		
New Orleans	13,253	63,571	7,624	55,956	199,500	254,491
Mobile	275	2,032	788	7,693	2,727	11,662
Pensacola						4,038
Jacksonville		282	565	3,906	1,526	10,653
Savannah	30,549	65,197	20,200	141,910	99,081	190,148
Brunswick		574	2,000	32,000	845	8,000
Charleston	1,095	5,092	1,937	12,069	225,184	20,538
Wilmington	107	168	4,159	9,661	27,195	30,207
Norfolk	813	9,408	3,310	19,559	22,255	57,328
Newport News &c.	67	350	63	485		
New York	177	2,111	738	6,225	25,391	90,144
Boston	488	10,462	99	1,454	13,720	5,170
Baltimore	102	3,054	858	2,634	2,819	4,200
Philadelphia	99	1,242	266	3,007	5,241	8,252
Totals	128,999	471,693	77,822	452,845	785,166	825,437

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.	1915;
Galveston	53,634	34,266	64,950	76,931	120,854	105,716
Texas City, &c	28,340	989	226	398	14,805	13,661
New Orleans	13,253	7,624	37,349	26,556	49,876	41,019
Mobile	275	788	2,535	2,792	993	4,214
Savannah	30,549	20,200	33,050	43,991	49,304	61,532
Brunswick		2,000	2,000	3,000	5,000	9,800
Charleston	1,095	1,937	6,326	9,590	11,857	28,532
Wilmington	107	4,159	5,740	4,739	8,596	21,899
Norfolk	817	3,310	4,100	5,601	13,563	17,335
Newp't N., &c.	63	63	108	113		268
All others	866	2,486	203	12,259	10,713	2,480
Tot. this week	128,999	77,822	156,587	185,430	285,561	306,456
Since Aug. 1—	471,693	452,845	695,341	895,358	1,250,375	1,032,038

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 89,042 bales, of which 50,967 were to Great Britain, 22,822 to France and 15,253 to other destinations. Below are the exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1920:

Exports from—	Week ending Sept. 24 1920. Exported to—				From Aug. 1 1920 to Sept. 24 1920. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston	31,646	11,868	11,201	54,715	75,861	23,705	75,186	174,752
Texas City					5,165	2,709		7,874
Houston	15,281	10,723		26,004	34,115	22,158	86	56,273
El Paso, &c.								86
New Orleans	4,032		2,447	6,479	21,938	5,293	37,995	65,226
Mobile					716			716
Savannah					7,282		4,611	11,893
Wilmington							5,500	5,500
Norfolk					108			108
New York		231	1,105	1,336	4,057	2,882	12,925	19,864
Boston					2,663	72	477	3,212
Baltimore	8		100	108	325	1,146	567	2,038
Philadelphia							303	303
San Fran			400	400			404	404
Seattle							3	3
Total	50,967	22,822	15,253	89,042	142,230	57,965	138,057	348,252
Total 1919	14,814	83	42,381	57,278	305,963	40,192	337,817	683,972
Total 1918	30,901	11,412	29,929	72,242	269,594	104,235	218,384	592,213

In addition to above exports, our telegrams to-night also give us the following amounts of cotton on shipboard, not cleared, at the ports named. We add similar figures for New York.

Sept. 24 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—					
	Great Britain.	France.	Ger- many.	Other Cont'd.	Coast- wise.	Leaving Stock.
Galveston	1,729	16,626	6,981	13,664	1,500	40,500
New Orleans	1,155	903	1,324	5,491	100	8,973
Savannah	2,000	5,000	14,000	1,000	500	22,500
Charleston					1,000	1,000
Mobile	101					224,184
Norfolk					250	250
New York *	500	100	600	300		22,005
Other ports *	2,000			500		1,500
Total 1920	7,485	22,629	22,905	20,955	3,350	77,324
Total 1919	58,356	3,390	6,393	27,359	5,208	100,706
Total 1918	52,044	11,000		28,000	19,200	110,244
						803,122

* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been on only a moderate scale at declining prices. Not but that there have been occasional rallies, especially early in the week, when the cotton belt seemed to be menaced by a tropical storm. But later on, when the storm was said to have passed harmlessly inward with a minimum of damage, prices broke violently. On a single day they fell 120 to 160 points from the high level of the morning. That was on the 22nd instant. Also it is said that spot prices at Augusta, Ga., in two days had fallen 2c. per pound. Other Southern markets fell sharply. There is a notion that as the crop movement is increasing and banks are understood to be not so ready as formerly to encourage holding, dealers in spot cotton will be more ready sellers than they were a year ago. At times the receipts at the ports have been double those on the corresponding day last year. Another bad feature was the fear of a coal strike in England, to begin on the 25th instant. It looked at times as though it could hardly be avoided. The men were stubborn and at least the transport workers of England have voted to back up the miners. And it is believed that the railroad workers at a pinch would do the same. To make matters worse cotton operatives at Oldham, England, have struck to the number of some 30,000. A similar number, it also appears, have gone on strike at Blackburn. And the master spinners of Lancashire have announced that unless the Oldham strike

can be settled by the 28th instant, they will declare a general lockout. Trade is dull in England and the mills are evidently ready for a contest. They certainly appear complacent enough about strikes at Oldham and Blackburn. They have a chance to reduce their stocks and deal with labor at the same time in a way that they have long wanted to. As for the threatened coal strike, Premier Lloyd George is urged to stand firm and make a test case of whether labor is to be allowed to carry on a policy of rule or ruin. But the net result of big strikes would be a profound disturbance of trade. And this has been reflected in lower prices for cotton on this side of the water and noticeable weakness in Liverpool.

In the main, too, the weather in this country has been favorable. The latest weekly Government report was regarded by many as the best that had been issued in many weeks. It showed that the rainfall west of the river has been very small, east of the river almost as small, and that everywhere the weather had, for the most part, been warm. These looked like favorable conditions for the crop. Meantime cotton goods, though now and then showing a little more activity, have been in the main quiet. Short time was reported in some of the mills. The Knight mills in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, now acquired by Rupprecht interests, have announced a four-day week schedule as against five days recently. Some mills at Passaic, N. J., which make tire fabrics, are on a four and a half-day week. Alabama mills show a tendency to reduce production by closing now and then for a week. Staple ginghams have been cut to 20c., a price it seems which shows no profit. Sterling exchange has been declining. Exports are far behind those of last year. Spain reports that American cotton is a drug in the market there; that it is using East Indian. Czechoslovakia has stopped buying. France is not taking much. Neither is Great Britain. The world seems to be going slow, especially as appearances point to larger crops this season in the United States, East India and Egypt. Meanwhile, too, money continues stringent in the world at large, even though rates have eased a trifle in this country.

The suspension is reported of a firm of cotton factors, John Welch of Athens, Ga., with liabilities of \$837,000 and assets of about \$400,000. Spot markets have latterly fallen 100 to 200 points.

On the other hand, prices have now and then showed not a little strength. And there are not wanting those who believe that if the coal strike can be avoided in England the outlook will change for the better, especially if some means are found to settle the dispute with textile workers at Oldham, England. Time money is easier. For five years past the South has shown its ability to hold back cotton when it has seen fit to do so. Many Southern holders if they choose can do it again. Fall River has been more active. There is a tendency here to overdo the short side. The crop is still late. And early frost would go a good deal of harm. No real improvement has taken place in Georgia, except possibly in the northern section. A late fall would increase the yield there. The boll weevil is still active in south central Oklahoma. Little or no top crop is expected in central, southern South Carolina and in Mississippi and Florida, and it will be very short in Georgia. This is the official Washington statement on the subject. Twelve mills, moreover, at Cohoes, New York, have increased wages 15%. That does not look as though things were in a very bad way there. They are going to build, it seems, a \$2,500,000 cotton yarn mill at Waco, Texas. In Manchester some people think that the world's production of cotton goods is so much smaller than the consumption was before the war that it does not seem possible that trade can long remain stagnant. At the sharp cuts in gingham prices on this side of the water it is noticed that trade has become more active. Fine combed yarn fabrics have been much stronger at New Bedford. Latterly rains have occurred in the eastern belt. And, although it was said that the tropical storm which broke on Tuesday night in the Gulf had done no damage to cotton, it did bring a rainfall to New Orleans of 3½ inches, and the precipitation was also noteworthy in parts of Texas, Arkansas and Alabama. The one thing dreaded is a rainy spell, which would infallibly reduce the grade of open cotton, and otherwise do no small injury to the crop. To-day prices were rather irregular, but ended much lower on the near months. Price cutting of merchandise throughout the country, falling spot markets and fears of an English coal strike, despite some reassuring reports, caused the decline. Wall St., Southern and Japanese interests, moreover, sold freely. Prices ended decidedly lower for the week. Spot cotton to-day fell 100 points, and closed 250 points lower for the week at 28.50c.

The following averages of the differences between grades, as figured from the Sept. 23 quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, are the differences established for deliveries in this market on Sept. 30 1920:

Middling fair	3.58 on	*Middling "yellow tinged".....	4.65 off
Strict good middling	2.73 on	*Strict low mid; "yellow" tinged.....	7.13 off
Good middling	2.08 on	*Low middling "yellow tinged".....	10.70 off
Strict middling	1.10 on	Good middling "yellow stained".....	4.48 off
Strict low middling	3.00 off	*Strict mid; "yellow stained".....	5.98 off
Low middling	7.58 off	*Middling "yellow stained".....	7.95 off
*Strict good ordinary	11.53 off	*Good middling "blue stained".....	5.58 off
*Good ordinary	14.08 off	*Strict middling "blue stained".....	7.08 off
Strict good mid. "yellow tinged".....	1.05 off	*Middling "blue stained".....	8.70 off
Good middling "yellow tinged".....	1.90 off	*These ten grades are not deliverable upon new style contracts.	
Strict middling "yellow tinged".....	3.00 off		

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Sept. 18 to Sept. 24— Sat. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.
Middling uplands 31.00 31.00 31.00 30.50 29.50 28.50

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

The quotations for middling upland at New York on Sept. 24 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

1920-c	28.50	1912-c	11.75	1904-c	11.20	1896-c	8.56
1919	31.75	1911	10.85	1903	11.40	1895	8.44
1918	32.75	1910	13.70	1902	9.00	1894	6.62
1917	26.30	1909	13.75	1901	8.25	1893	8.31
1916	15.95	1908	9.40	1900	10.75	1892	7.62
1915	11.55	1907	11.90	1899	6.62	1891	8.69
1914	10.06	1906	9.60	1898	5.44	1890	10.38
1913	13.60	1905	11.10	1897	6.75	1889	11.12

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Sept. 18.	Monday, Sept. 20.	Tuesday, Sept. 21.	Wednesday, Sept. 22.	Thursday, Sept. 23.	Friday, Sept. 24.	Week.
September—							
Range	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Closing	29.10	29.30	29.25	28.30	27.35	—	—
October—							
Range	28.30-75	28.20-00	28.75-45	27.30-95	26.60-490	25.95-85	25.95-95
Closing	28.58-65	28.80-92	28.75-85	27.80-85	26.85	25.95-00	—
November—							
Range	—	—	—	—	25.50-20	—	25.50-20
Closing	26.70-92	27.15	27.15	26.35	25.55	24.95	—
December—							
Range	25.44-96	25.38-42	26.10-65	25.00-420	24.30-20	23.80-55	23.80-42
Closing	25.70-77	26.12-17	26.10-15	25.33-40	24.45-50	23.95-05	—
January—							
Range	24.27-75	24.09-05	24.80-30	23.92-85	23.42-15	23.12-75	23.12 c30
Closing	24.55-57	24.88-90	24.85	24.20-30	23.65-75	23.30-40	—
February—							
Range	—	24.20	—	—	—	—	24.20
Closing	24.15-18	24.40	24.40	23.90	23.40	23.05	—
March—							
Range	23.20-75	23.05-128	24.03-48	23.20-00	22.85-50	22.75-35	22.75-148
Closing	23.57-60	24.00-08	24.05	23.62-70	23.20	22.85-90	—
April—							
Range	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Closing	23.30	23.70	23.65	23.25	22.85	22.60	—
May—							
Range	22.80-20	22.70-170	23.35-85	22.60-34	22.30-85	22.30-85	22.30-185
Closing	23.05-08	23.40-45	23.38-40	22.90-96	22.25-65	22.35	—
June—							
Range	—	—	—	23.00	—	—	23.00
Closing	22.85	23.20	22.95	22.50	22.15	22.00	—
July—							
Range	22.40-70	22.35-05	22.89-30	21.60-50	21.55-00	21.72-20	21.55-130
Closing	22.60	23.05	22.48	22.00	21.65-75	21.72-75	—
f 28c. t 27c. j 26c. c 25c. t 24c. t 23c.							

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY OF COTTON to-night, as made up by cable and telegraph, is as follows. Foreign stocks, as well as the afloat, are this week's returns, and consequently all foreign figures are brought down to Thursday evening. But to make the total the complete figures for to-night (Friday), we add the item of exports from the United States, including in it the exports of Friday only.

Sept. 24—	bales	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Stock at Liverpool	854,000	785,000	145,000	266,000	
Stock at London	12,000	12,000	19,000	19,000	
Stock at Manchester	84,000	98,000	39,000	31,000	
Total Great Britain	950,000	895,000	203,000	316,000	
Stock at Ghent	8,000	—	—	—	
Stock at Bremen	67,000	—	—	—	
Stock at Havre	103,000	188,000	132,000	149,000	
Stock at Rotterdam, &c.	7,000	5,000	1,000	4,000	
Stock at Barcelona	70,000	75,000	14,000	74,000	
Stock at Genoa	35,000	98,000	23,000	12,000	
Stock at Trieste	—	—	—	—	
Total Continental stocks	290,000	366,000	170,000	239,000	
Total European stocks	1,240,000	1,261,000	373,000	555,000	
India cotton afloat for Europe	129,000	16,000	17,000	31,000	
American cotton afloat for Europe	116,935	212,012	207,000	306,000	
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Europe	31,000	45,000	82,000	48,000	
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	78,000	87,000	168,000	66,000	
Stock in Bombay, India	1,150,000	835,000	*680,000	*820,000	
Stock in U. S. ports	785,166	825,437	913,366	582,043	
Stock in U. S. interior towns	851,827	717,820	880,094	355,449	
U. S. exports to-day	65,994	2,200	16,778	25,549	
Total visible supply	4,447,922	4,001,469	3,265,238	2,789,041	

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—	bales	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Liverpool stock	508,000	574,000	44,000	172,000	
Manchester stock	74,000	68,000	14,000	25,000	
Continental stock	230,000	304,000	*153,000	*202,000	
American afloat for Europe	116,935	212,012	207,000	306,000	
U. S. port stocks	785,166	825,437	913,366	582,043	
U. S. interior stocks	851,827	717,820	880,094	355,449	
U. S. exports to-day	65,994	2,200	16,778	25,549	
Total American	2,631,922	2,723,469	2,156,238	1,668,041	
East Indian, Brazil, &c.—					
Liverpool stock	346,000	211,000	101,000	94,000	
London stock	12,000	12,000	19,000	19,000	
Manchester stock	10,000	30,000	25,000	6,000	
Continental stock	60,000	42,000	*17,000	*37,000	
India afloat for Europe	129,000	16,000	17,000	31,000	
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat	31,000	45,000	82,000	48,000	
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	78,000	87,000	168,000	66,000	
Stock in Bombay, India	1,150,000	835,000	*680,000	820,000	
Total East India, &c.	1,816,000	1,278,000	1,109,000	1,121,000	
Total American	2,631,922	2,723,469	2,156,238	1,668,041	
Total visible supply	4,447,922	4,001,469	3,265,238	2,789,041	
Middling upland, Liverpool	21,35d.	19,88d.	23,23d.	18,62d.	
Middling upland, New York	28.50c.	32.85c.	35.15c.	25.30c.	
Egypt, good sakel, Liverpool	59,00d.	32.50d.	33.13d.	34.75d.	
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool	35,00d.	28.50d.	28.50d.	27.50d.	
Broach, fine, Liverpool	17,60d.	18,45d.	24,50d.	18,70d.	
Tinnevelly, good, Liverpool	19,10d.	18,70d.	24,75d.	18,88d.	

* Estimated.

Continental imports for past week have been 31,000 bales.

The above figures for 1920 show an increase over last week of 59,633 bales, a gain of 464,453 bales over 1919, an excess of 1,182,684 bales over 1918 and a gain of 1,658,881 bales over 1917.

AT THE INTERIOR TOWNS the movement—that is, the receipts for the week and since Aug. 1, the shipments for the week and the stocks to-night, and the same items for the

corresponding period of the previous year—is set out in detail below.

Towns.	Movement to Sept. 24 1920.			Movement to Sept. 26 1919.		
	Receipts.	Shipments.	Stocks Sept. 24.	Receipts.	Shipments.	Stocks Sept. 26.
Week.	Season.	Week.	Week.	Week.	Season.	Week.
Ala., Eufaula	372	710	200	727	344	861
Montgomery	3,191	6,244	1,377	4,379	11,822	2,239
Selma	1,756	3,430	1,058	2,909	7,215	1,523
Ark., Helena	84	90	8	751	963	1,296
Little Rock	1,404	2,590	277	15,995	4,125	1,264
Pine Bluff	2,693	2,694	1,000	24,852	200	12,000
Ga., Albany	217	2,348	34	1,200	5,744	700
Athens	367	1,057	100	12,247	4,804	10,019
Atlanta	1,014	6,508	822	11,364	6,574	10,427
Augusta	15,061	32,270	5,474	58,226	24,453	7

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer			
Nacogdoches		dry	high 98	low 57	mean 78	
Palestine		dry	high 92	low 62	mean 77	
Paris	1 day	0.03 in.	high 95	low 60	mean 78	
San Antonio		dry	high 98	low 66	mean 82	
Weatherford		dry	high 91	low 54	mean 73	
Ardmore, Okla.		dry	high 97	low 56	mean 77	
Altus		dry	high 95	low 57	mean 76	
Muskogee	2 days	0.45 in.	high 95	low 55	mean 75	
Oklahoma City		dry	high 97	low 58	mean 78	
Brinkley, Ark.	1 day	0.64 in.	high 93	low 51	mean 72	
Eldorado	2 days	2.14 in.	high 92	low 53	mean 73	
Little Rock	1 day	1.07 in.	high 89	low 62	mean 76	
Marianna	1 day	0.09 in.	high 91	low 54	mean 72	
Alexandria, La.	1 day	1.80 in.	high 93	low 62	mean 78	
Amite		dry	high 93	low 64	mean 77	
Shreveport	1 day	0.40 in.	high 92	low 62	mean 77	
Columbus, Miss.	1 day	0.12 in.	high 95	low 62	mean 79	
Okalona	1 day	0.02 in.	high 94	low 60	mean 77	
Vicksburg	1 day	0.30 in.	high 89	low 64	mean 77	
Mobile, Ala.—Crop in this section badly beaten			out by heavy rains.	Cotton		
Decatur	opening fast	3 days	6.32 in.	high 91	low 67	mean 79
Montgomery		dry	high 87	low 59	mean 73	
Selma	1 day	1.94 in.	high 91	low 71	mean 81	
Gainesville, Fla.	2 days	0.10 in.	high 89	low 60	mean 75	
Madison	3 days	1.39 in.	high 90	low 59	mean 75	
Athens	2 days	0.41 in.	high 93	low 62	mean 78	
Augusta		dry	high 90	low 59	mean 75	
Columbus	1 day	0.06 in.	high 93	low 61	mean 77	
Savannah		dry	high 90	low 63	mean 76	
Charleston, S. C.	1 day	0.15 in.	high 87	low 65	mean 76	
Greenwood		dry	high 84	low 58	mean 71	
Columbia		dry	high 87	low 59	mean 73	
Conway		dry	high 88	low 57	mean 73	
Charlotte, N. C.	2 days	0.86 in.	high 86	low 55	mean 70	
Weldon	1 day	0.20 in.	high 87	low 45	mean 66	
Dyersburg, Tenn.		dry	high 89	low 57	mean 73	
Memphis	1 day	0.10 in.	high 90	low 60	mean 75	

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.

The total sales of cotton on the spot each day during the week at New York are indicated in the following statement. For the convenience of the reader we also add columns which show at a glance how the market for spot and future colsed on same days.

	Spot Market Closed.	Futures Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't.	Total.
Saturday	Quiet, unchanged	Steady	—	—	—
Monday	Quiet, unchanged	Easy	—	—	—
Tuesday	Quiet, unchanged	Easy	—	—	—
Wednesday	Quiet, 50 pts. dec.	Steady	—	—	—
Thursday	Quiet, 100 pts. dec.	Easy	—	—	—
Friday	Quiet, 100 pts. dec.	Steady	—	—	—
Total					

QUOTATIONS FOR MIDDLE COTTON AT OTHER MARKETS.—Below are the closing quotations of middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Week ending Sept. 24.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wed'day.	Thursd'y.	Friday.
Galveston	28.75	28.75	29.25	28.25	27.25	25.75
New Orleans	28.00	28.00	28.00	27.00	26.50	
Mobile	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50	27.00	
Savannah	30.50	30.00	30.00	28.25	28.00	27.50
Charleston	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	28.25	27.50
Norfolk	30.00	30.00	30.00	29.50	29.00	28.50
Baltimore	30.00	30.00	31.00	31.00	30.50	30.50
Philadelphia	31.25	31.25	31.25	30.75	29.75	28.75
Augusta	30.25	30.00	29.75	29.25	28.38	27.13
Memphis	32.00	31.50	32.50	30.50	30.00	29.50
Dallas	27.00	27.35	27.35	25.45	24.95	
Houston	28.50	28.50	29.00	27.00	25.75	
Little Rock	28.50	28.50	28.50	27.50	27.00	
Fort Worth	27.20	27.20	27.20	25.40	24.75	

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton markets for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Sept. 18.	Monday, Sept. 20.	Tuesday, Sept. 21.	Wed'day, Sept. 22.	Thursd'y, Sept. 23.	Friday, Sept. 24.
September	27.58	28.33	28.05	27.05	25.70	—
October	26.83-88	27.58-67	27.30-35	26.30-35	25.25-36	24.35-36
December	24.87-90	25.39-47	25.21-27	24.42-50	23.50-58	27.90-98
January	23.92	24.45-48	24.18-29	23.52-55	22.68-71	22.28-31
March	23.08-11	23.61-65	23.35	22.86	22.30-35	21.90-95
May	22.55	22.95-98	22.75-80	22.38-43	21.55-80	21.42-46
July	22.00-07	22.35-40	22.12-15	21.80-90	21.20-30	21.00-—
Tone— Spot	Quiet.	Quiet.	Steady.	Quiet.	Steady.	Steady.
Options	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.	Steady.

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.—The following brief but comprehensive statement indicates at a glance the world's supply of cotton for the week and since Aug. 1 for the last two seasons, from all sources from which statistics are obtainable; also the takings, or amounts gone out of sight, for the like period.

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1920.		1919.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Sept. 17	4,388,289		4,036,087	
Visible supply Aug. 1		4,956,257		4,792,018
American in sight to Sept. 24	234,309	1,064,552	205,969	982,611
Bombay receipts to Sept. 23	61,000	168,000	6,000	209,000
Other India shipm'ts to Sept. 23	66,000	79,000	10,000	41,000
Alexandria receipts to Sept. 22	62,000	12,000	16,000	47,000
Other supply to Sept. 22 *	62,000	21,000	3,000	20,000
Total supply	4,642,598	6,300,809	4,277,056	6,091,629
Deduct				
Visible supply Sept. 24	4,447,922	4,447,922	4,001,469	4,001,469
Total takings to Sept. 24 a	194,676	1,852,887	275,587	2,090,160
Of which American	161,676	1,417,887	200,587	1,459,160
Of which other	33,000	435,000	75,000	631,000

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c.
This total embraces the estimated consumption by Southern mills, 561,000 bales in 1920 and 2,000 bales in 1919—takings not being available—and the average amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 1,291,887 bales in 1920 and 1,568,160 bales in 1919, of which 856,887 bales and 937,160 bales

b Estimated.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market is lifeless. We give prices for to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison.

	1920.				1919.			
	32s Cop. Twist.	8½ lbs. Shirt. ings, Common to finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's	32s Cop. Twist.	8½ lbs. Shirt. ings, Common to finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's		
July 30	d. 49	s. d. @ 69	s. d. @ 42 0	d. 26.15	d. 42	d. 45	d. 27 0	s. d. @ 31 6
Aug. 6	d. 54	s. d. @ 70	s. d. @ 42 0	d. 27.10	d. 42	d. 45	d. 27 0	s. d. @ 31 6
13	d. 52½	s. d. @ 69	s. d. @ 41 0	d. 27.19	d. 40 ½	d. 43 ½	d. 27 0	s. d. @ 31 6
20	d. 50	s. d. @ 67	s. d. @ 40 6	d. 24.82	d. 41	d. 45	d. 27 0	s. d. @ 31 6
27	d. 46 ½	s. d. @ 64	s. d. @ 40 0	d. 22.49	d. 40	d. 43 ½	d. 27 0	s. d. @ 31 6

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 89,042 bales. The shipments in detail as made up from mail and telegraphic returns, are as follows:

	Bales.					
	NEW YORK	To Havre	To Burmese Prince	To Bremen	To Gothenburg	To Liverpool
Sept. 22	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 23	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 24	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 25	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 26	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 27	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 28	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 29	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sept. 30	—	—	—</			

tralizes the fact that first-hand stocks here are not large. Later on wheat advanced, but this had no effect on flour. In fact, prices turned downward when wheat weakened again. American prices were forced lower to meet Canadian competition. The downward movement was led by mills using Canadian wheat. Herbert Hoover, speaking to the American Association of the Baking Industry, in convention at Atlantic City, said "thirty-one per cent of Europe's population is still on bread rations. The great exporting centres of the world will have available some 575,000,000 to 625,000,000 bushels of wheat for export. The import necessities of Europe, if bread consumption was restored to normal would exceed this amount. In any event, there does not appear either any great shortage or any great surplus. The 4.30c. for flour in a loaf of bread means that the Mississippi Valley farmer receives about three cents from the loaf; the balance of the flour price goes to handling, storage, transportation, milling and wholesale distribution. This should tend to dissipate any notion that the farmer is primarily responsible for doubling the price of the loaf. In fact, a reduction of 60 cents per bushel in wheat would affect the loaf but one cent." The price of bread is not likely to be reduced, the master bakers of the country declared at this convention. This disappointing outlook was attributed to the high cost of flour, increased labor costs and transportation troubles, by the President of the Association. There is no relief in sight at this time, and we shall be fortunate if we are able to go ahead without a further advance in prices, declared the President.

Wheat declined owing to fears of large offerings by Canada. The Canadian crop is beginning to move freely. Elevator interests and local traders sold freely. English buyers have been doing little. They are declared to have supplied their wants early in the present year. Whether that is really so or not remains to be seen. Certainly they have been holding aloof of late. Whether they are simply waiting for lower prices remains to be seen. There has been big Continental buying in shipment from the Gulf. Foreign buying here at times has looked to some like covering. The visible supply in the U. S. increased last week, 2,134,000 bushels against 7,863,000 in the same week last year. It makes the total however only 25,065,000 bushels against 77,988,000 bushels a year ago. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics estimates that the Canadian crop of wheat will reach 289,000,000 bushels, which means big exportable surplus. The Province of Alberta will have 18 bushels per acre and a total yield of 66,300,000 while the Saskatchewan yield is estimated at 13 bushels per acre.

The Rome International Institute of Agriculture says that estimates of the wheat crops of Argentina, South Africa and Australia show those countries, which comprise 92% of the wheat-growing area of the Southern Hemisphere, will produce 28% above the average. Crops in Spain, Italy, Algeria, Tunis, Bulgaria, Finland, Switzerland, British India and Guatemala are about the same as last year. Wheat is above the average in Austria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Holland and Sweden. The average in Germany and Ireland is slightly lower than that in England and Scotland. Preliminary estimates of the area seeded to wheat in Argentina show it to be 7% larger, but the condition of the crop is 3% below the average. Argentine new crop conditions have improved, with rains reported from the Southern and Western provinces, where the bulk of the wheat is grown. Cables from Argentina report the weather fine, the wheat crop in most provinces looks healthy and the yield will undoubtedly be substantial.

Later on prices advanced sharply i. e. 3½@4½c. The feature was the enormous export sales, estimated at as high 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 bushels. The largest sale ever previously reported was 6,000,000 bushels a little before war was declared by the United States in April, 1917. Acceptances were on an enormous scale, and there was very heavy buying of wheat futures in Chicago. Two houses were credited with buying about 4,000,000 bushels, understood to be for New York export account. On the 23rd inst. 3,000,000 bushels more were taken for export. Most of this big total of 10,000,000 to 13,000,000 bushels was American wheat taken by the Continent via the Gulf. Included however, some durum and Manitoba wheat. Later Canadian wheat was freely offered prices fell and premiums shrunk. Today prices declined 11 to 12c. on futures. No. 2 f. o. b. Gulf is quoted for last half of Sept. at 35c. over Chicago December. Prices are much lower for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.
Sat. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.
No. 2 red-----cts. 268 268 260 262 263½ 262½

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.
Sat. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.
December delivery in elevator cts. 240½ 239¾ 232 236½ 236½ 225
March delivery in elevator-----235 234¾ 226½ 230 227 215

Indian corn has declined, owing to heavy receipts, large country offerings, weakness of cash markets and, to crown all, favorable weather. The visible supply in the United States increased last week 495,000 bushels, against 390,000 last year. This brought the total up to 3,287,000 bushels, against 1,750,000 a year ago. Elevator interests and commission houses have been selling. The price has fallen below \$1 in Kansas City for the first time since the summer

of 1917 and at Chicago for the first time this season. About the only buying was covering and against bids. The weather has been clear and warm enough to hasten the maturity of the crop. The cash demand has been poor. Rallies occurred from time to time as the market became sold out and a bit oversold. Also a tropical storm threatened the Gulf States and it was feared that it might penetrate the Southwestern portion of the belt. This caused covering apart from anything else. It turned out in the end that it has done no harm. But later the September situation became acute. September rose on the 22d inst. 13½c. and closed near the high point. New crop deliveries were weak early that day on the weather, which was again extremely favorable all over the belt, but rallied with some excitement in wheat, and the rise in September corn.

The Atchison's weekly crop report says corn is excellent and if present weather continues a week or ten days it will be out of frost danger. Small grain threshing is proceeding as rapidly as the weather permits and is 80% completed. Much fall ploughing is being done with a good deal of planting in Kansas, which expects an increase in wheat acreage and probably total acreage. Minnesota's corn crop estimated at 103,146,000 bushels, is safe, it is said, from frost damage. For nearly a month unusually dry, clear weather has prevailed in Minnesota and over a portion of the Dakotas and temperatures have been mild. To-day prices declined and they wind up lower for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 yellow-----cts.	149½	146½	143¾	154	147½	140%

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
September delivery in elevator cts.	125	124½	123½	135½	127	125½
December delivery in elevator-----	108	107½	105½	105½	99½	97½
May delivery in elevator-----	108½	108½	105%	105½	100	98%

Oats, like other grain, declined. There was another big increase in the visible supply, i. e., 5,118,000 bushels or some 13,000,000 bushels in three weeks. And for the first time in a long while the total visible supply is now larger than at the corresponding date last year. It is 21,334,000 bushels, against 20,935,000 bushels a year ago. This looked something like the handwriting on the wall. And the big Canadian crop is also to be reckoned with. It is much talked of. Canada will compete sharply in the foreign market with America. That seems clear enough. Cash markets have been dull and weak. There has been large hedge selling. New low record prices for the season have been reached. Weakness in corn has hurt oats. But at times prices have rallied for the moment with other grain, and on the covering of shorts who have a good deal of company and occasionally become a bit uneasy. The drift of opinion, however, looks to a further decline. Naturally, there are bound to be sudden and perhaps sharp upturns from time to time on the short interest if for no other reason. To-day prices eased a little. They are 6 to 6½ cents lower on futures than a week ago.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 1 white-----cts.	75	74	73	73	71	70@71
No. 2 white-----	75	74	71@73	72@73	70@71	70@71

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
September delivery in elevator cts.	60	59	56½	56½	54¾	54%
December delivery in elevator-----	62½	61¾	59¾	59½	57¾	57%
May delivery in elevator-----	66½	65¾	63	63¾	61½	61%

RYE has fallen like other grain. The downward pull seemed irresistible. The September delivery has been an exception. The visible supply increased last week 1,196,000 bushels against only 15,000 bushels in the same week last year. It is still only 3,594,000 bushels against 14,366,000 a year ago, but it is gaining. And although sales to Germany early in the week were estimated at 400,000 bushels they were not fully confirmed. Buyers in the main appeared to be pursuing a waiting policy. On the 22nd instant prices shot upward 6 to 21½ cents, the latter on Sept. The feature was the covering of shorts in Sept. The advance lifted the price in Chicago for Sept. higher than the cash price in New York. Later prices reacted with those for other grain and large Northwest selling. Today prices gave way 4 to 5½c. on futures. They closed 5c. higher for the week on September and 7½c. lower on December.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
September delivery in elevator cts.	191½	192½	190¾	209	204	200
December delivery in elevator-----	173	172½	170¾	176½	173½	167½

The following are closing quotations:

		FLOUR.	
Spring patents-----	\$12 00	@ \$13 00	Barley goods—Portage barley:
Winter straights, soft	10 85	@ 11 25	No. 1-----\$7 00
Kansas straights-----	11 75	@ 12 75	Nos. 2, 3 and 4 pearl 7 00
Clear-----	10 00	@ 11 00	Nos. 2-0 and 3-0-----7 00@ 7 15
Rye flour-----	10 00	@ 11 00	Nos. 4-0 and 5-0-----7 25
Corn goods, 100 lbs.:			Oats goods—Carload
Yellow meal-----	3 65	@ 3 80	spot delivery-----8 20
Corn flour-----	3 85	@ 4 05	

		GRAIN.	
Wheat—		Oats—	
No. 2 red-----	\$2 62½	No. 1-----	70@71
No. 1 spring-----	Nominal	No. 2 white-----	70@71
Corn—		No. 3 white-----	69@70
No. 2 yellow-----	\$1 40½	Barley—	
Rye—		Feeding-----107@112	
No. 2-----	1 99	Malting-----119@120	

For other tables usually given here, see page 1248.

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 21.—The influences of weather on the crops as summarized

in the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture for the week ending Sept. 21 were as follows:

COTTON.—The temperature averaged considerably above normal throughout the cotton belt and the week was practically rainless in the western half, while only light showers occurred in most eastern districts. These conditions were very favorable for opening cotton and for picking and ginning and this work made satisfactory progress in practically all sections, although there was some complaint of labor shortage in a few portions of the belt. Cotton is opening and picking beginning to the northern limits of the belt. The better weather conditions have resulted in a material improvement in cotton in much of the western portion of the belt, but in the eastern portion the condition is practically unchanged. Some deterioration was reported from North Carolina, but the crop is still in mostly fair condition in that State, although there is a tendency to a light top crop; little or no top crop is expected in central and southern South Carolina, Mississippi and Florida, while it is very short in Georgia. No improvement seems possible in Georgia, except in the northern portion, where a late fall would increase the yield. No material change in the condition of cotton was reported in Tennessee, Alabama or Mississippi, but, under the influence of the dry, warm weather, the crop made very good to excellent progress in Arkansas, where weevil activity and shedding have been decidedly checked. From fair to excellent progress was reported from Texas also and a good top crop is now indicated in many sections of that State. Progress was generally fair in Oklahoma where a general improvement is noted, although weevil and boll worms continue active, especially in the south central portions. A good crop of cotton is being picked in the producing districts of New Mexico, while warm weather favored development in Arizona.

CORN.—The warm and comparatively dry weather, with abundant sunshine that prevailed in most southern and central districts during the week, was unusually favorable for the maturing of corn. In Missouri the bulk of the crop is out of frost danger, and cutting is well under way. Cutting is well under way also in all parts of Kansas, except in the northeastern and north central portions. While the bulk of the crop is out of frost danger in Nebraska, late fields need about ten days more for proper maturing. About one-half of the crop is safe from frost damage in Iowa, where soil filling and founder cutting progressed rapidly. Most of the crop will be past frost danger by the 30th, in Wisconsin, Michigan and Ohio.

WINTER GRAIN SEEDING, &c.—The warm, dry weather of the week was very favorable for the preparation of soil and the seeding of winter grains in the principal grain producing districts of the country, except in the western lower Lake region and parts of the upper Mississippi Valley, where some delay has been occasioned by a lack of soil moisture. The drier weather in southern portions of the winter wheat belt was very favorable and the work of preparing seed beds was resumed in many districts after delay resulting from recent wet soil. Plowing is about completed in Missouri and about 80% of the wheat land has been prepared in Oklahoma. Seeding made good progress in the central and northern portions of the belt and the early seeded wheat is coming up nicely; this crop is being sown under unusually favorable soil conditions in the Far Northwest. The threshing of late grains made favorable progress in practically all sections where this work has not been completed.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

New York, Friday Night, Sept. 24 1920.

There was a better tone in dry goods through the week. The markets were generally steady, and the volume of inquiry was quite as good as at any time this fall. In jobbing circles the new low prices are stated to be attracting trade and giving retailers more confidence, but not the degree of confidence that is expressed in other channels. The drive for lower prices begun last spring is being prosecuted with renewed vigor by almost every factor identified with production and distribution. Competition among the primary sellers is beginning to open. In some cases prices are quoted at or below the cost of production. The market conditions are favoring the buyer. But buyers as a rule are placing orders for only scattering lots for delivery within thirty days. Orders for future delivery are placed sparingly. The retailer has set himself against buying in a large way, and present purchases are much below the old normal existing before the war threw industry into chaos. Buying representatives of retail concerns express themselves as ready to commit themselves for good quantities of merchandise, but they are deterred from so doing by the financial heads of their firms. Trade inquiry is broadening steadily, and some small increase in the volume of sales is noted. The immediate future depends, it is believed, upon the action retailers will take in smothering their losses and reducing their prices. There has been a reduction of more than 30% in the prices of many staple cotton goods, and it is thought to be near time some part of these reductions should appear at the retail counters and be passed on to the public. There is still a very substantial purchasing power among the mass of people in this country, and they will buy dry goods if they are reasonably priced. Amoskeag Manufacturing Co. announced on Wednesday a reduction of 33 1-3% in the price of manufactured cotton goods. Fear of cancellations of orders approximating those which forced the company's woolen department to close is given as the reason for the price reduction. For the time being credits occupy much attention. The situation in the markets has reached a point where selling agents are determined to weed out some of the customers who bought free-handedly and who are trying to cancel in the same way. Money rates continue at 8% for the best known names and 8 1/4% and sometimes 8 1/2% for names not so well known.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—The downward trend of prices is tending somewhat to stimulate trading and bring about normal conditions. But there has been a lack of full response to many of the new low prices named on cotton goods. Observance of Yom Kippur by many sellers and buyers put a noticeable crimp in the little trading that was under way earlier in the week. Gray goods prices were reported as holding steady. Interest was chiefly for goods for spot or near-by deliveries. The stoppage of the downward trend has given many converters the idea that basic fabric prices are stabilized. But converters are buying very small lots and seem to lack confidence because of the slow business in their finished products. More business was offering on some of the thin constructions in print cloths. Fancy printed goods have been revised downward by converters, some of whom assert they are getting a liberal volume of business because of the deep cuts they have made in prices. Stocks of prints and percales in jobbers' hands

are believed to be small. The extent of the declines that will be shown by prints and percales when those fabrics are repriced by the printers, some time within the next ten days, is a matter of no little speculation, the feeling seeming to be that the reductions will not be so sharp as those which recently took place in ginghams and other woven colored cottons. And the same speculation prevails respecting the repricing of standard bleached goods, which is due in about two weeks. Eastern 38 1/2-inch, 64x60 print cloths for "quick" shipment brought 15c. during the week; and similar deliveries of 39-inch 68x72s sold for 16c., as did 38 1/2-inch 60x48s at 12c. Some September business in sheetings was put through on 5-yard goods and 5.50s, which sold for 12 1/2c. and 11 1/2c., respectively. Sheetings in medium weights were firmer and appear to be tending to a basis of 65c. a pound. For 64x60s 15c. is commonly quoted. The trade is keeping an eye on the leading producers of percales and denims for announcements of new price-lists on those fabrics. Further price reductions in finished cotton goods are making their appearance almost daily. Recently the cuts have been heaviest in ginghams and cotton flannels. One effect of the naming of new prices on ginghams at this time has been an increase in the requests for rebates from retailers who have accepted goods shipped in the past 90 days. Southern staple ginghams are beginning to move more freely on a basis of 17 1/2c. for good high grade fabrics and 15c. for lower counts. Drills are in better request. There is very little reported in the fine goods division of the trade. Cotton yarns were dull and weak. Buyers of cotton yarns are finding offers more plentiful and prices are so very irregular that they hesitate to bind themselves on anything save very moderate quantities. Prices are low and there is a good deal of cutting to secure business. The yarn markets have not recovered from the sudden slump of August and September. No buying of any consequence has taken place in the hosiery markets. Prices are not attractive. Buyers want bargains. Hosiery changing hands at distressed prices are not reflecting manufacturing costs. Optimism is not a glaring characteristic of the knit underwear market. Curtailment has been steady in the underwear mills for the past week. Few manufacturers are willing to name prices openly, and the market for the present is a buyers' market, and they are backward in buying. The drop in cotton shattered many hopes among cotton goods men, who were preparing selling plans on a spot cotton market around 30c. In the main retailers are depending upon the spot market for merchandise to supply their immediate and near future requirements. Current prices during the week were: Print cloths, 27-inch, 64x60s, 10c. to 10 1/4c.; 28-inch, 64x60s, 10 1/2c.; 28-inch, 64x64s, 11c.; gray goods, 38 1/2-inch, 64x64s, 16c. to 16 1/2c.; 39-inch, 68x72s, 16c.; 39-inch, 80x80s, 19c.; brown sheetings, 3-yard, 20c.; 4-yard, 56x60s, 18 1/2c. to 19c.; Southern standards, 24c. to 25c.; tickings, 8-oz., 42 1/2c.; denims, 2.20, 44c.; Standard staple ginghams, 20c.; dress ginghams, 25c. to 27 1/2c.; Standard prints, 23c.

WOOLEN GOODS.—Business has been coming to hand in small lots in the men's wear trade. Price irregularities in some quarters of this market have upset buyers, and the tendency is to wait a settling of the market and a full opening of all lines. Overcoats in the better grades are finding a fairly good sale, as they are not in overplentiful supply. The opinion is growing in wholesale quarters that there will be no normal fall season. Staple worsted goods for women's wear seem to have made the best progress on the new spring season; they have moved better than had been expected by some of the large makers of staples. Reports from various quarters of the dress end of the cutting-up trade indicate that sales of the higher-priced goods are relatively the most active, and this is resulting in some degree in the dropping from the line entirely of the lower-priced goods. In the woolen yarn market there has been considerable inquiry for yarns from 36s to 50s, two-ply, indicating that fine fabrics still have the lead in the cloth market.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—The demand from a class of trade that always wants the real article in linens is making for a steady market. Jobbers are making good progress with distribution, and it is believed that prices of linens will stay up until the beginning of the new year anyway. From the middlemen's point of view fair progress is being made in the linen market. In some quarters it is reported that sales during August were actually larger than for the same month last year. Many retailers throughout the country are conducting a September linen sale at prices below cost of replacement to the wholesaler, and explain by saying that the low prices are for the purpose of stimulating trading. The high level of prices is bringing constant call for mercerized cotton substitutes. Conditions in the linen industry abroad continue in bad shape, according to a large Middle West buyer. Prices are advancing and a still greater shortage of flax is likely. Linens purchased last year for shipment in March of this year are just arriving. Due to unsettled conditions in Ireland and Russia there is said to be little possibility that goods will be produced in quantities sufficient to warrant a reduction in prices. Quietness rules in the burlap market. Sellers report scanty inquiry, and there is a feeling that higher values are justifiable. Prices through the week were nominally unchanged. For lights, 7.90c. to 8c. was heard, and heavies were firm at 10.50c.

State and City Department

NEWS ITEMS.

Connecticut.—*Woman Suffrage Amendment Ratified for Second Time.*—The Connecticut Legislature reconvened, in special session, on Sept. 21 at the call of Governor Holcomb. Both Houses, in joint convention, again adopted the resolution ratifying the Federal Woman Suffrage Amendment. The ratification of the amendment was by a vote of 194 to 9 in the House and unanimous in the Senate where eight members were absent. The session was adjourned the same day at 7:45 p. m.

New Jersey.—*Legislature Recesses.*—The New Jersey Legislature on Sept. 15 voted to recess until Nov. 8. Seventeen measures were passed by the General Assembly and signed by Governor Edwards. Important among these are:

Senate 323 provides that no taxes shall be levied for a period of five years on any dwelling improvement that may be made in the building of houses between October 1 this year and Oct. 1 1922.

Senate 324 gives the tax assessor the right to inquire into the amount of rent paid. He shall add to the assessment any excess profit.

Senate 325 provides the tenant shall be given by the landlord, three months' notice to move in both monthly and year-to-year tenancies.

House 551, which provides that suits to dispossess tenants can be brought only in the city or judicial district where the property is located.

New York State.—*Legislature Convenes.*—The New York Legislature convened in special session on Sept. 20 to formulate measures for the relief of the shortage of dwellings. Several bills of this nature were passed in both Houses and sent to Governor Smith for his approval. They are:

A bill permitting investment of State and municipal sinking funds in bonds of State Land Banks.

A bill giving court issuing warrants in tenant default cases the power to vacate the warrant. This power at present reposed in the Supreme Court alone.

A measure granting to Supreme Court Justices and Justices of the Appellate Division the right to grant a stay in non-payment and hold-over tenant cases.

A bill which seeks to extend the liability of the lessor of an apartment for failure to furnish water, light, heat, elevator and telephone service to his agent, superintendent, manager or janitor. The bill also makes more explicit the language of the statute passed by the last regular session of the Legislature which makes such wilful neglect a misdemeanor.

Another bill, giving the City of New York the right to expend the proceeds of sales of corporate stock or serial bonds for the erection of new school houses to house 187,000 New York City school children now receiving only part time, was approved by both Houses and went to Governor Smith for executive action.

Both houses passed a bill introduced by Senator Henry M. Sage, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, which empowers the State Controller to make temporary loans at the "legal rate of interest." The present law permits only 4 1/4%. This change is expected to make the State's short term bonds more attractive to prospective buyers.

The bill of Minority Leader Walker permitting New York City to issue bonds up to \$12,000,000 this year, \$5,000,000 of which is to be expended for the repair and maintenance of bridges and the remainder in salaries, was passed by both houses.

Warrenton, Clatsop County, Ore.—*Bond Suit Settled.*—It is stated that an application will be filed with the Federal Court for the dismissal of the suit brought by the Spokane Portland & Seattle Railway Co. against representatives of the city of Warrenton, attacking the two bond issues aggregating \$500,000, voted on Nov. 7 1919 (V. 109, p. 1912-2379). The Portland "Oregonian" says:

The City of Warrenton voted one bond issue of \$150,000, which was completely sold, and another of \$350,000, of which approximately \$100,000 had been marketed, leaving about \$250,000 of bonds yet to be sold. Under the agreement reached the city of Warrenton waives its rights to sell any more of the bonds authorized under the two issues. The bonds were voted for harbor developments, to buy 100 acres of land, at a price which was declared by the railroad company to be exorbitant, and to dredge and otherwise improve the channel.

In the complaint, which was brought by the railroad company as the largest individual taxpayer and the owner of approximately 10% of the entire taxable property within the city limits, it was charged that the bond issues were illegal because of defective notices of elections.

BOND CALLS AND REDEMPTIONS.

St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Mo.—*Bond Call.*—Funding bonds numbered 11 to 85, incl., dated Dec. 1 1915, for \$1,000 each, and bearing 4 1/2% interest, have been called and will be paid Dec. 1 1920 at the National Bank of Commerce, New York.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

this week have been as follows:

ABERDEEN, Moore County, No. Caro.—*BOND OFFERING.*—J. L. Rhine, Town Clerk, will, on Oct. 15 at 3 p. m., receive bids for \$20,000 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) water bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable in gold at the National Park Bank, N. Y. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$500 1923 to 1958 incl., and \$1,000 1959 and 1960. Cert. check or cash on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for payable to the town of Aberdeen, required. The successful bidders will be furnished with the opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of N. Y., that the bonds are valid and binding obligations of the town of Aberdeen and the bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of N. Y., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the town officials and the seal impressed thereon. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. Council), Ida.—*BONDS NOT SOLD.*—At the offering on Sept. 13 of the \$125,000 6% bonds.—V. 111, p. 1009—all bids were rejected because they were below par. Date July 1 1920. Int. J. & J. payable in New York. The Attorney-General advises the County not to sell the bonds below par.

ADRIAN, Lenawee County, Mich.—*BONDS NOT SOLD.*—The \$225,000 5% water-works bonds offered on Sept. 20—V. 111, p. 1198—were not sold.

AITKIN COUNTY (P. O. Aitkin, Minn.)—*BOND SALE.*—The "Duluth Herald" of Sept. 11 says that the Board of County Commissioners sold the \$250,000 6% highway bonds [which were offered on Aug. 9—V. 111, p. 812—but failed then to receive a satisfactory bid]. The sale was made to Minneapolis firms and the expense of placing the loan at par will cost the county \$6,000. The money is to be paid in installments of \$25,000 a month for October, November and December to meet expense of work under way and again from May to November, 1921, to cover work as done. Unused money is to pay the county 2% to the time it is receivable and 5% interest after it becomes payable.

AKRON, Summit County, Ohio.—*BOND ELECTION.*—The City Council has decided to ask the voters, at the November election, for authority to issue \$2,000,000 park and playground and \$250,000 viaduct-approach bonds.

ALLEN COUNTY (P. O. Fort Wayne, Ind.)—*BOND OFFERING.*—E. G. Kampe, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Sept. 29 for \$150,000 5% Bueter Road improvement bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$7,500 each six months from May 15 1922 to 1931, inclusive.

AMSTERDAM, Montgomery County, N. Y.—*BOND OFFERING.*—Proposals will be received by E. O. Bartlett, City Treasurer, until 1 p. m. Sept. 27, according to reports, for \$66,000 5 1/2% 40-year school-building bonds. Interest semi-annual. Certified check for 2% is required.

ANDERSON-COTTONWOOD IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Anderson), Shasta County, Calif.—*BONDS APPROVED.*—Reports say that this district received a letter from the State Bond Commission approving the issuance of the \$200,000 6% irrigation bonds which were voted on May 8—V. 110, p. 2215. The district will be required to issue bonds maturing from 5 to 15 years, beginning with next January and the directors are expected to pass an order at the next meeting ordering sale of said bond issue.

ANN ARBOR SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ann Arbor), Washtenaw County, Mich.—*BOND SALE.*—A. B. Leach & Co. of Detroit, have purchased \$100,000 5% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable in Ann Arbor. Due \$10,000 yearly on April 1 from 1931 to 1934, incl., and \$60,000 April 1 1935.

Financial Statement.

Real valuation, est.	\$35,000,000
Assessed valuation, 1919	30,580,560
Total bonded debt, including this issue	942,000
Population 20,000.	

ASHTABULA, Ashtabula County, Ohio.—*BOND OFFERING.*—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Oct. 13 by M. A. Taylor, City Auditor, for the following 5 1/2% Elm Street improvement bonds: \$19,000 city's portion bonds. Denom. \$380. Due \$1,900 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl. 9,000 special assessment bonds. Denom. \$450. Due \$900 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl. Date April 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Certified check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

ASHTABULA COUNTY (P. O. Jefferson), Ohio.—*BOND SALE.*—On Sept. 21 the \$141,000 6% Inter-County Highway No. 15 impt. bonds—V. 111, p. 1105—were awarded to Prudden & Co., of Toledo, at par. Date April 1 1920. Due \$15,500 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1928, incl., and \$17,000 Oct. 1 1929.

AURELIA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Aurelia Cherokee County, Iowa).—*BOND SALE.*—An issue of \$147,000 5% tax-free school-building bonds has been purchased by Bolger, Mosser & Williamson, of Detroit and Chicago. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest (M. & S.) payable at the Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago. Due Sept. 1 1925.

Financial Statement.

Actual valuation, estimated	\$15,000,000
Assessed valuation	4,478,991
Bonded debt, including this issue	169,500
Population, official estimate, 1,500.	

BACA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38 (P. O. Campo), Colo.—*BOND ELECTION SALE.*—Subject to an election to be called \$2,500 7% 15-30-yr. funding school bonds have been sold to International Trust Co. of Denver.

BAKERSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kern County, Calif.—*DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.*—Further details are at hand relative to the sale of the \$300,000 5 1/2% school bonds awarded during September to Bradford, Weeden & Co. at par—V. 111, p. 1198. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 12 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$30,000 yearly from 1921 to 1930, inclusive.

BARR SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Montgomery), Daviess County, Ind.—*BOND SALE.*—The \$3,500 5% School House Warrants, offered on Sept. 18—V. 111, p. 1009—were awarded to John J. & Joseph Wagler, at par. Date Sept. 18 1920. Due \$500 each six months from June 30 1921 to June 30 1924, incl.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY (P. O. Columbus), Ind.—*BONDS SOLD IN PART.*—The issue of \$18,700 4 1/2% John H. Otte et al. Jackson and Ohio Twps. road bonds, offered on Sept. 18—V. 111, p. 1106—was sold to Wm. C. Irwin at par. Date Sept. 18 1920. Due \$935 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl. The \$7,600 4 1/2% W. C. Newsom et al. Sand Creek Twp. bonds, offered at the same time, were not sold.

BATAVIA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Batavia), Genesee County, N. Y.—*BOND SALE.*—The \$150,000 6% registered school bonds, offered on Sept. 20 (V. 111, p. 1106) were awarded to the Bank of Genesee at 105-255 and interest, a basis of about 5.35%. Date Oct. 1 1920. Due \$10,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1925 to 1939, incl. Other bidders were: Sherwood & Merrifield, N. Y. 105.08 | Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y. -103.46 Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., N. Y. 104.60 | Remick, Hodges & Co., N. Y. -103.429 O'Brian, Potter & Co., Buff. -104.282

BEADLE COUNTY (P. O. Huron), So. Dak.—*BOND OFFERING.*—Until Oct. 12 bids will be received for \$350,000 6% court house bonds by W. H. Stewart, Chairman Board of County Commissioners. Denom. \$1,000. Cert. check for \$17,500, required.

BEAUREGARD PARISH ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3, La.—*BOND SALE.*—Caldwell & Co., of Nashville on June 8 purchased the \$138,500 5% road bonds—V. 100, p. 2312—at par and interest. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 1 1919. Int. M. & N. Due yearly from 1921 to 1949, incl.

BEAVER UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Sacramento County, Calif.—*BOND OFFERING.*—The Clerk Board of County Supervisors (P. O. Sacramento) will receive bids for \$60,000 6% bonds until Oct. 4, it is stated.

BELOIT, Rock Creek County, Wisc.—*BOND SALE.*—The Second National Bank of Beloit was awarded on Sept. 20 \$15,000 6% 1-15-year serial storm-sewer bonds at 100.75, a basis of about 5.875%. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 15 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$1,000 yearly on Sept. 15 from 1921 to 1935, incl.

BIGPINE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Inyo County, Calif.—*BOND SALE.*—Bradford, Weeden & Co., recently purchased \$40,000 5% school bonds, it is stated.

BIGPINE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Inyo County, Calif.—*BOND SALE.*—This district awarded a bond issue amounting to \$40,000 and bearing 5%, to Bradford, Weeden & Co.

BLACKFOOT, Bingham County, Ida.—*DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.*—The \$145,000 paving bonds awarded on Aug. 31 to Keeler Bros., of Denver, at par and interest (V. 111, p. 1106), bear 7% interest and are in denom. of \$500. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. F. & A. Due Aug. 1 1930, subject to call after six months.

BLAINE COUNTY (P. O. Chinook), Mont.—*BOND SALE.*—It is reported that the Chinook Engineering & Constructing Co. has purchased \$50,000 highway bonds.

BONITA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lauderdale County, Miss.—*BONDS NOT YET SOLD.*—We are advised that no sale has yet been made of the \$15,000 6% bonds offered on Aug. 3 (V. 111, p. 409). Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Interest annually (July 1). Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$300 1921 to 1925, inclusive; \$800 1926 to 1935, inclusive; \$600 1936 to 1940, inclusive; and \$500 1941 to 1945, inclusive.

BOONE COUNTY (P. O. Lebanon), Ind.—*BOND OFFERING.*—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Sept. 30 by Granville Wells, County Treasurer, for \$11,200 4 1/2% Carl A. Davis et al Center Twp. road bonds. Denom. \$560. Date Sept. 7 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$560 each six months from May 15 1922 to Nov. 15 1931, inclusive.

BOYD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 (P. O. Spencer), Neb.—*BOND SALE.*—An issue of \$31,000 6% 20-year school-building bonds has been sold, it is stated.

BREWSTER, Stark County, Ohio.—**BOND OFFERING.**—A. A. Ruof, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. Oct. 12 for \$4,000 6% water works impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-annual. Due \$500 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1929, incl. Cert. check for \$200 payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

BROCKTON, Plymouth County, Mass.—**BOND SALE.**—On Sept. 21 the following two issues of 5% coupon tax-free bonds described in V. 111, p. 1198, were awarded to A. B. Leach & Co., of Boston, at 102.09, which is on a basis of about 4.77%: \$175,000 sewer bonds, payable \$7,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1945, incl.

135,000 Franklin School addition bonds, payable yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1921 to 1935, incl.; \$6,000, 1936 to 1940, incl.

The following is the list of the bids received:
A. B. Leach & Co., Boston...102.09 R. L. Day & Co., Boston...101.099
Old Colony Tr. Co., Boston...101.76 Arthur Perry & Co., Boston...100.96
Edmunds Bros., Boston...101.618 Curtis & Sanger, Boston...100.817
Estabrook & Co., Boston...101.31 E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston...100.802
Harris, Forbes & Co., Boston...101.23 Blodget & Co., Boston...100.672

BUTLER COUNTY (P. O. Butler), Pa.—**BOND SALE.**—M. M. Freeman & Co. and Frazier & Co., of Philadelphia, have purchased and are now offering to investors an issue of \$550,000 5½% tax-free road bonds. Date Sept. 1 1920. Due serially on Sept. 1 from 1927 to 1944, incl.

BUTLER COUNTY (P. O. Hamilton), Ohio.—**BOND SALE.**—The State Industrial Commission of Ohio on Sept. 18 purchased \$67,600 6% coupon road-improvement bonds. Date Sept. 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the County Treasurer's office.

BYRON IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Byron), Contra Costa County, Calif.—**BONDS VOTED.**—The voters of this district recently favored the issuance of \$550,000 irrigation bonds, it is reported, by a vote of 129 to 8.

CALWA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fresno County, Calif.—**BOND SALE.**—The \$34,000 5% school bonds offered on March 20 1920 (V. 110, p. 1216) were awarded on May 29 to R. H. Moulton & Co. at par and interest.

CAMBRIDGE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Cambridge), Guernsey County, Ohio.—**BONDS NOT SOLD.**—No sale was made of the \$25,000 6% bonds offered on Sept. 20 (V. 111, p. 1009), no bids being received.

CANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Canton), Stark County, Ohio.—**BIDDERS.**—Following is the list of the bidders for the \$1,840,000 6% 1-40-year serial school-building bonds awarded on Sept. 17 to the syndicate headed by the Bankers Trust Co. of New York (V. 111, p. 1198): Bankers Trust Co., Guaranty Trust Co., Remick, Hodges & Co., Halsey, Stuart & Co., R. L. Day & Co., Detroit Trust Co. and the First Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago...\$1,878,456 00 Field, Richards & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, A. B. Leach & Co., Seasongood & Mayer, Keane, Higbee & Co...1,852,714 40 Harris, Forbes & Co., National City Co., Estabrook & Co., Stacy & Braun, and Hayden, Miller & Co...1,850,387 00

CARBON COUNTY (P. O. Mauch Chunk), Pa.—**BOND SALE.**—On Sept. 21 Harris, Forbes & Co., of New York, were awarded the \$200,000 5½% 22½-year (aver.) highway bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 1198—for \$200,368 equal to 100.184, a basis of about 5.24%. Denom. \$1,000. Int. A. & O. Due \$50,000 in each of the years 1935, 1940, 1945 and 1950.

CARIBOU COUNTY (P. O. Soda Springs), Ida.—**WARRANT OFFERING.**—On to-day (Sept. 25) \$22,700 6% funding warrants will be offered for sale. E. K. Gordon, County Auditor.

CARLTON COUNTY (P. O. Carlton), Minn.—**BOND SALE.**—Reports state that this county recently sold \$75,000 6% road bonds to John F. Sinclair Co. of Minneapolis.

CASPER GRADING DISTRICTS (P. O. Casper), Natrona County, Wyo.—**BONDS AUTHORIZED.**—Issues of \$38,241 85 District No. 1 and \$98,796 19 District No. 3 6% grading bonds have been authorized. Interest semi-annually at Casper. Denom. \$500. Due on or before ten years.

CASWELL COUNTY (P. O. Yanceyville), No. Caro.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Robert T. Wilson, Clerk of Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids for \$50,000 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) road-impt. bonds until 1 p. m. Oct. 4. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the office of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y., and interest on registered bonds will be paid in New York exchange. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1928, incl., and \$2,000 1929 to 1950, incl. Certified check or cash for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to Caswell County, required. The successful bidder will be furnished with the opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of N. Y. that the bonds are valid obligations of Caswell County, and the bonds will be printed under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of N. Y., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures and seal on the bonds.

Financial Statement.

Gross bonded debt, including this issue.....	\$195,000
All other indebtedness.....	6,400
Total debt.....	\$201,400
Assessed valuation taxable property, 1920.....	\$13,242,113
Population, Federal census, 1910.....	14,850
Present population (estimated).....	15,000

CELINA, Mercer County, Ohio.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Oct. 16 by August Behringer, Village Clerk for \$21,000 6% funding bonds. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$10,000 Sept. 1 1925 and \$11,000 Sept. 1 1928. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

CHESTER COUNTY (P. O. West Chester), Pa.—**BOND ELECTION.**—The County Commissioners, according to reports, have decided to ask the voters at the November election to vote on a proposition which calls for a \$3,000,000 bond issue for improving roads in the county.

CLAY COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. West Point), Miss.—**BOND OFFERING.**—L. J. Howard, Clerk, will receive sealed or verbal bids until 2 p. m. Oct. 5 for all or any part of \$45,000 6% bonds. Cert. check for \$500, required.

CLAY SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Logansport), Cass County, Ind.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Oct. 8 by William A. Simpson, Township Trustee, for \$36,000 6% school-building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Interest semi-annual. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 and \$2,000 on July 1 from 1921 to Jan. 1 1934, inclusive.

CLEAR CREEK SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Smithville), Monroe County, Ind.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. Oct. 8 by John P. Harrell, Township Trustee. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1935, inclusive.

CLEVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Cleveland), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—**BOND ELECTION.**—At the election to be held Nov. 2 the Board of Education will ask the voters to approve a bond issue of \$15,000,000 for purchasing sites and erecting and furnishing school buildings.

COALDALE, Schuylkill County, Pa.—**BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Local residents are petitioning the County Commissioners to authorize the submission of a proposition to issue \$75,000 sewer and street bonds at the November Elections, according to reports.

COEUR D'ALENE, Kootenai County, Ida.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Until 7:30 p. m. Oct. 11 bids will be received it is stated, for \$9,000 coupon bonds. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bid, required.

COLLINSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lauderdale County, Miss.—**BONDS NOT YET SOLD.**—The \$6,000 6% bonds mentioned in V. 111, p. 1010—have not been sold as yet we are informed. Denom. \$100. Int. annually (Sept. 1). Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$200 1921 to 1925 incl., and \$300 1926 to 1935 incl., and \$200 1936 to 1945 incl.

These bonds will not be sold unless a bid of par or better is received.

COLUMBUS, Franklin County, Ohio.—**BONDS REFUSED.**—Field, Richards & Co., B. J. Van Ingen & Co., and Barr & Schmelzler, have refused to accept the \$900,000 6% flood protection bond issue awarded to them on Sept. 7 (V. 111, p. 1106), because their attorneys would not approve the legality of the bonds.

These bonds are being reoffered on Sept. 30 at 12 m. until which time bids are to be received by Opha Moore, Clerk of Council. Denom. \$1,000.

Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$100,000 yearly on Mar. 1 from 1949 to 1957, incl. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at Columbus within five days from date of award. Bids must be made on blanks furnished by the City Clerk. The official circular states that on the previous offering of these bonds, Squires Sanders & Dempsey approved all the proceedings, excepting the manner of publishing the notices of the offering. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CORCORAN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kings County, Calif.—**BOND OFFERING.**—A 6% bond issue amounting to \$8,000 will be offered for sale on Oct. 5 it is reported.

COWLITZ COUNTY (P. O. Kalama), Wash.—**NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—The \$105,000 15-year Diking District No. 11 bonds offered on July 31—V. 111, p. 515—were not sold, no bids being received.

CUMBERLAND TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Carmichaels), Greene County, Pa.—**BOND SALE.**—The \$40,000 5% school bonds offered without success on Dec. 30 last (V. 110, p. 185), have been sold to the First National Bank, of Carmichaels, for \$40,104, equal to 100.26, a basis of about 4.95%. Date Jan. 1 1920. Due in from one to twelve years from date.

CURRY COUNTY (P. O. Clovis), N. M.—**BOND ELECTION CONSIDERED.**—Newspapers state that petitions are out asking for the calling of \$200,000 road bond election.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio.—**BOND OFFERING.**—E. G. Krause, Clerk of Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids until 11 a. m. Oct. 13 for \$222,000 6% bridge bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$22,000, 1921 to 1929, incl.; \$24,000, 1930. Cert. check for 1% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio.—**BOND ELECTION.**—It is reported that on Sept. 18 the County Commissioners authorized that a proposition to issue \$2,000,000 county jail and court building bonds be submitted to the voters on Nov. 2.

DAVIESS COUNTY (P. O. Washington), Ind.—**BONDS AND WARRANTS OFFERED.**—Daniel V. Myers, County Auditor, will receive proposals at 2 p. m. Oct. 28 for \$50,000 6% 5-year gravel road repair bonds and \$25,000 6% 1-year County Warrants.

DEARBORN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. Dearborn), Wayne County, Mich.—**BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$232,000 6% school bonds has been purchased by Whittlesey, McLean & Co., of Detroit. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$20,000 1921 to 1925, incl.; \$15,000, 1926 to 1930, incl.; and \$11,400, 1931 to 1935, incl. Bonded Debt, including this issue, \$255,500. Assessed Value, \$14,316,725.

DE FUNIAK SPRINGS, Walton County, Fla.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until Oct. 1 by Duncan Gillis, City Clerk, for the following 6% bonds, mentioned in V. 109, p. 2189:

10,000 water-main-extension bonds.

20,000 general street and park improvement bonds.

5,000 cemetery chapel and equipment bonds.

5,000 cemetery fence and interior road bonds.

Date Jan. 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the office of the City Treasurer and at such other place as may be mutually agreed upon by the purchaser and the City Council. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$5,000 1925, \$5,000 1930, \$5,000 1935, \$5,000 1940, \$10,000 1945, \$10,000 1950, \$10,000 1955 and \$15,000 1960, or at such other serial dates as may be mutually agreed upon by the City Council and the purchaser. Certified check on one of the local banks, or other bank, for \$1,000 required.

DELaware COUNTY (P. O. Muncie), Ind.—**NO BIDS.**—No bids were received for the three issues of 4½% road bonds, aggregating \$37,000, offered on Sept. 10 (V. 111, p. 1010).

DELPHI, Carroll County, Ind.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Talmar R. Arnold, City Clerk, will receive bids until 7 p. m. Sept. 28 for \$7,000 6% funding bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1920. Interest semi-annual. Due \$2,000 on Oct. 1 in 1921, 1922 and 1923, and \$1,000 Oct. 1 1924.

DENVER (City and County), Colo.—**BOND SALE.**—Bosworth, Chanute & Co. and the International Trust Co. have purchased and are now offering to investors at 100 and interest, to yield full 6%, \$40,000 6% East Denver Paving District No. 3 bonds. Date Aug. 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest (F. & A.) payable at the office of the City Treasurer, or, at the Bankers Trust Co., New York. Due Aug. 1 1932, optional at any time.

DUBOIS COUNTY (P. O. Jasper), Ind.—**BOND SALE.**—The Huntingburg Bank was awarded the \$17,000 5% bridge construction bonds offered on Sept. 18—V. 111, p. 1106. Date Sept. 15 1920. Due \$850 each six months from June 15 1921 to Dec. 15 1930, incl. There were no other bidders.

BOND SALES.—The \$17,000 5% bridge construction bonds, offered on Sept. 18—V. 111, p. 1106—were awarded to the Dubois County State Bank and the Farmer & Merchants State Bank at par and interest. Date Sept. 15 1920. Due \$850 each six months from June 15 1921 to Dec. 15 1930, incl.

The farmers along the road to be improved have purchased at par and interest the \$35,000 4½% Boone Twp. free gravel road bonds offered on July 15—V. 111, p. 108. Date Aug. 2 1920. Due \$875 each six months from May 1 1921 to Nov. 1 1940, incl.

DUKE TOWNSHIP, Harnett County, No. Caro.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Until 4 p. m. Oct. 9 bids will be received by E. S. Yaroorough, Chairman (P. O. Erwin Cotton Mills Co., Duke), for \$30,000 6% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000 each, unless otherwise prescribed by the purchaser. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in New York City, N. Y. Due \$3,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1940 to 1949 incl. Cert. check on a responsible bank for \$600, payable to the Treasurer of the Township Commissioners, required.

EAST CHICAGO SCHOOL CITY (P. O. East Chicago), Lake County, Ind.—**BOND SALE.**—On Sept. 18 an issue of \$300,000 6% school bldg. bonds was awarded to the Indiana Harbor National Bank, the City Trust & Savings Bank, the First Calumet Trust & Savings Bank, the First State Trust & Savings Bank, the East Chicago National Bank and the East Chicago State Bank, at par. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Interest M. & S. Due in five years.

EAST CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals for \$18,718.65 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) special assessment street impt. bonds will be received until 12 m. Oct. 2 by Chas. A. Carran, Director of Finance. Denom. 18 for \$1,000, 1 for \$718.65. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Guardian Savings & Trust Co. of Cleveland. Due Oct. 1 1925. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Director of Finance, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award, at Cleveland. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

The official circular states that the city has never defaulted, that there is no controversy or litigation pending or threatened affecting the corporate existence or the boundaries of the city, the title of the present officials to their respective offices, or these bonds.

EDEN, Marshall County, So. Dak.—**BOND OFFERING.**—An issue of \$12,500 bonds at not exceeding 7% interest will be offered it is stated, on Oct. 2. Cert. check for \$250 required.

ELK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Sacramento County, Calif.—**BOND SALE.**—E. H. Rollins & Sons of San Francisco, bidding \$126,014 (100.81) and interest a basis of about 5.92% were awarded the \$125,000 6% 14-year (aver.) bonds dated July 1 1920—V. 111, p. 1106—on Sept. 16. Other bidders were:

Lumbermen's Trust Co.\$125,710.00 State Compensation Ins.

R. H. Moulton & Co...125,538.50 Fund ----- \$125,125.00

ERIE COUNTY (P. O. Erie), Pa.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 1:30 p. m. Oct. 8, it is stated, by Joseph E. Leslie, County Controller, for \$300,000 5% 11 2/3-year (aver.) road bonds. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for \$3,000, required.

EUGENE, Lane County, Ore.—**NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—On Sept. 13 no bids were submitted for the \$15,000 5% bonds—V. 111, p. 912.

EVANSTON, Uinta County, Wyo.—**BONDS VOTED.**—At a recent election the \$290,000 water works system bonds—V. 111, p. 813—carried. Wm. Cook, City Clerk will advertise for bids as soon as possible.

FALLS COUNTY COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—An issue of \$6,000 5% 10-20-year bonds was registered on Sept. 15 with the State Comptroller.

FORREST COUNTY (P. O. Hattiesburg), Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—Herbert Gillis, County Clerk, will receive bids for the \$100,000 6% road and bridge bonds voted on Sept. 3—V. 111, p. 1106—until Oct. 7, it is stated. Date day of sale. Due yearly on Oct. 7 from 1921 to 1945 incl.

FORT MILL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fort Mill), York County, So. Caro.—CORRECTION.—The Carolina Bond and Mortgage Co., of Columbia purchased the \$20,000 6% bonds at par on July 6 (not during September as reported in V. 111, p. 1010). Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1920. Int. J. & J.

FOUNTAIN COUNTY (P. O. Covington), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Albert H. McElwee County Treasurer, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Oct. 9 for \$25,600 Alonzo Jones et al Richland Twp. road bonds. Denom. \$1,280. Date May 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$1,280 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

FRAMINGHAM, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The Tremont Trust Co. of Boston was awarded at 5.92% discount the temporary loan of \$100,000 maturing Dec. 20 1920, which was offered on Sept. 21—V. 111, p. 1199.

FRANKLIN COUNTY (P. O. Columbus), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Ralph W. Smith, Clerk of Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Oct. 8 for \$314,000 6% Columbus-Sandusky Inter-County Highway No. 4, Sec. "P" impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$39,000, 1923 to 1928, incl.; and \$40,000, 1929 & 1930. Cert. check on a solvent national bank, for 1% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County Commissioners, required. Delivery to be made at Columbus. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

FREDERICK COUNTY (P. O. Frederick), Md.—BOND OFFERING.—It is reported that proposals for \$125,000 5% school bonds will be received until 12 m. Oct. 5 by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 4 1920.

FULTON COUNTY (P. O. Rochester), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. Sept. 29 by H. B. Kumler County Treasurer, for the following two issues of 5% road bonds: \$37,000 Brenton Daud et al road bonds. Denom. \$1,850. Due \$1,850 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl. 9,000 Wm. C. Ewing et al road bonds. Denom. \$450. Due \$450 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl. Date March 1 1920. Int. M. & N.

FULTON COUNTY (P. O. Wauseon), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—F. E. Perry, County Auditor, will receive bids until 11 a. m. Oct. 4 for \$13,550 6% Archbold-Fayette I. C. H. No. 301 bonds. Denom. 1 for \$550, and 13 for \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due each six months as follows: \$2,550 Jan. 1 1922; \$3,000 July 1 1922; \$2,000 Jan. 1 1923 to July 1 1924, incl. Cert. check for 5%, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for on Nov. 1.

GALION, Crawford County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$60,000 6% coupon electric light plant bonds offered on Sept. 15 (V. 111, p. 1010), were not sold, due to the fact that the bids submitted were found to be unsatisfactory.

GALLATIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35 (P. O. Salesville) Mont.—BOND SALE.—The \$2,500 5-10 year (opt.) school bond issue which was offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 215—has been sold to the State Board of Land Commissioners as 6s, at par.

GALLOWAY PUBLIC ROAD DISTRICT, Greene County, Mo.—BONDS VOTED.—The \$14,500 road bond issue carried it is stated, on Sept. 6—V. 111, p. 1010.

GHENT, Columbia County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$7,000 1-7 year serial bridge bonds has been awarded to the State Bank of Chat-ham at 5%.

GLACIER COUNTY (P. O. Cut Bank), Mont.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No bids were received for the \$100,000 6% highway bonds offered on Sept. 7—V. 111, p. 912.

GLENN COLUSA IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—At an election to be held on Sept. 30 the question of voting \$2,587,000 bonds to purchase the Sacramento Valley West Side Canal and make improvements, will be submitted to the voters, it is stated.

GRAND MEADOW CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—An 8-year (aver.) school bond issue amounting to \$40,000 and 5% interest was recently awarded to Schanck & Co., of Mason City. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1900. Int. M. & S.

GUTHRIE COUNTY (P. O. Guthrie Center), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—Schanck & Co., of Mason City recently purchased an issue of \$100,000 6% funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920 and Jan. 1 1921. Int. A. & O. Due \$15,000 yearly from 1936 to 1939, incl., and \$4,000 1940.

HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Noblesville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by A. G. Finley, County Treasurer, until 10 a. m. Oct. 9 for \$24,000 4½% A. D. Booth et al Delaware & Noblesville Twp. road bonds. Denom. \$1,200. Int. M. & N. Due \$1,200 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

HANCOCK COUNTY (P. O. Greenfield), Ind.—NO BIDS.—There were no bids received for the \$17,600 5% Noah H. Fry et al Center Twp. road bonds offered on Sept. 20—V. 111, p. 1199.

HARLEM, Blaine County, Mont.—BONDS NOT TO BE REOFFERED AT PRESENT.—The \$45,000 6% water bonds mentioned in V. 111, p. 1107 will not be reoffered at present.

HARRISBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Harrisburg), Dauphin County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—The "Harrisburg News" in its issue of Sept. 1 states that President of the School Board Robert A. Enders, in a signed statement, declared that in order to obtain the needed improvements and accommodations in the way of a new high school and buying ground on Allison Hill with a view to erecting a second high school, it will be necessary for the people to vote approval of a bond issue of \$1,250,000.

HARTFORD, Hartford County, Conn.—BIDDERS.—The \$200,000 4% coupon (with privilege of registration) tax-free water-supply bonds, awarded on Sept. 17 to Estabrook & Co.—V. 111, p. 1199—were bid upon by the following bankers and brokers:

Name	Amount Bid For	Price Bid
Estabrook & Co., Boston	All	87.39
R. T. H. Barnes & Co. & Blodgett & Co., Hartford	All	86.843
National City Co., New York	All	86.599
E. H. Rollins & Son, Boston	All	85.348
Frisbie & Co., Hartford	All	85.59
Rutter & Co., New York	All	85.532
Thomson-Fenn & Co., Hartford, and Merrill, Oldham & Co., Boston	All	85.349
Aetna Life Insurance Co., Hartford	All	85.12
R. M. Grant & Co., Boston	All	85.031
Aetna Insurance Co., Hartford	All	85.
Goodwin-Beach & Co., Hartford	All	83.76
Eldredge & Co., New York	All	83.13
Travelers Insurance Co., Hartford	All	82.25
A. B. Leach & Co., Hartford	All	79.67
Society for Savings, Hartford	\$100,000	79.60
Society for Savings, Hartford	100,000	78.38

HAZLETON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hazleton), Luzerne County, Pa.—NO BIDS.—No bids were submitted for the \$250,000 5% coupon tax-free coupon school bonds offered on Sept. 21.—V. 111, p. 1011.

HEMSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21 (P. O. Rockville Centre), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Loren H. Rockwell, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 8 p. m. Sept. 28 for \$8,000 coupon or registered school bldg. bonds, to be awarded at lowest interest rate bid. Denom. \$3,000 & \$5,000. Prin. and interest payable at the Bank of Rockville Centre. Due \$5,000 Jan. 1 1922 and \$3,000 Jan. 1 1923. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bid, payable to Harry W. Reeve, Treasurer of Board of Education, required.

HENDERSON COUNTY (P. O. Lexington), Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Oct. 6 by L. B. Johnson, County Judge, for the \$350,000 6% road bonds voted on June 12—V. 110, p. 2695.

HENRY COUNTY (P. O. Mt. Pleasant), Iowa.—BONDS NOT TO BE OFFERED THIS YEAR.—The \$100,000 5-10 year (opt.) tax-free hospital bond issue which was offered on March 22—V. 110, p. 1217—will not be sold until after Jan. 1 1921.

HEYBURN HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Rupert), Minidoka County, Ida.—BID ACCEPTED.—The bid which was submitted by the American Bank & Trust Co. of Denver for the purchase of the \$55,000 6% highway bonds as previously reported in V. 111, p. 1199, has been accepted.

HIGHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Hillsboro), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—J. S. Kerns, County Auditor, will receive bids until 12 m. Oct. 4 for \$34,000 6% Cedar Creek-New Petersburg road impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$3,500 each six months from March 1 1921 to March 1 1925, incl.; and \$2,500 Sept. 1 1925. Cert. check for \$200, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

HILL COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 7, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On Sept. 14 an issue of \$242,000 5% serial bonds was registered with the State Comptroller.

HOBOKEN, Hudson County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Daniel A. Haggerty, City Clerk, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Oct. 5 for an issue of \$327,000 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 30 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.), payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due yearly on Dec. 31 as follows: \$18,000, 1921 to 1924, incl.; \$17,000, 1925 to 1939, incl. Cert. check on an incorporated bank or trust company, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the "City of Hoboken," required. Legality approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, of New York. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

HOCKING COUNTY (P. O. Logan), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—We now learn that on Oct. 1, when an issue of \$80,000 6% road bonds is to be sold as stated in V. 111, p. 1107, two other issues, one for \$88,000 and the other for \$42,500, will also be sold. Bids are to be received until 12 m. on that date by Henry T. Leach, County Auditor, for the bonds, which are described as follows:

\$80,000 6% Inter-County Highway No. 363 Sec. "N" bonds. Denom. \$8,000. Due \$8,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl. 88,000 6% Inter-County Highway No. 355 Sec. "P-1" bonds. Denom. \$8,800. Due \$8,800 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl. 42,500 6% Inter-County Highway No. 360 Sec. "G-1" bonds. Denom. \$4,250. Due \$4,250 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.), payable at the County Treasurer. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

HUBBARD, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by Thomas F. Rock, Village Clerk, until 12 m. Oct. 9 for \$18,327 26 6% Stewart Ave. storm sewer bonds. Denom. \$1 for \$327 26, 18 for \$1,000. Int. M. & S. Due \$327 26 March 1 1921, and \$2,000 each six months from Sept. 1 1921 to Sept. 1 1925, incl. Cert. check for \$200, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

HUBBARD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hubbard), Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—L. M. Stewart, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 12 m. Oct. 6 for \$75,000 school bldg. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable at the Hubbard Banking Co., of Hubbard. Due each six months as follows: \$1,000 April 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1937, incl.; \$1,000 April 1 and \$2,000 Oct. 1 1938 to 1952, incl. Cert. check for \$200, payable to the District Treasurer, required.

HUNTINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Huntington), Ind.—NO BIDDERS.—There were no bidders for an issue of \$16,000 4½% Phillip H. Shaffer et al Salamonie Twp. road bonds offered on Aug. 28.

HUNTINGTON PARK UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles, County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The Hibernian Savings Bank of Los Angeles, offering 101.25 and interest a basis of about 5.84% was awarded the \$200,000 6% 1-25-year serial bonds, dated Sept. 1 1920, offered on Sept. 13.—V. 111, p. 1011.

IBERVILLE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Plaquemine), La.—BONDS VOTED.—On Sept. 9 the \$25,000 school bonds—V. 111, p. 1011—were voted unanimously.

IDAHO FALLS, Bonneville County, Ida.—BOND SALE.—The Lumbermen's Trust Co. of Portland, was recently awarded the following sidewalk and paving bonds:

\$147,000 6½% bonds. Date Sept. 15 1920.
164,000 6½% bonds. Date Sept. 1 1920.
70,000 6½% bonds. Date Sept. 15 1920.
85,000 6½% bonds. Date Oct. 1 1920.
55,000 6% bonds. Date Oct. 1 1920.
Denoms. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Int. semi-ann. Due 1930 optional on any interest paying date.

IDAHO (State of)—BOND ELECTION.—On Nov. 2 \$2,000,000 highway bonds at not exceeding 5% interest and due 1941, will be voted upon.

INDIANAPOLIS, Marion County, Ind.—NOTE SALE.—On Sept. 10 the Union Trust Co., of Indianapolis, was awarded at 6½% interest, \$595,000 deficiency funding notes. Date Sept. 10 1920. Due \$300,000 July 1 1921 and \$295,000 Dec. 10 1921.

INDIANAPOLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Indianapolis), Marion County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. Oct. 15 by Geo. C. Hitt, Business Director, for \$1,176,000 5% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 20 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Treasury of the School Board. Due in either of the following manners, as bidders may choose: All Oct. 20 1940; or \$126,000 Oct. 20 1925 and \$75,000 yearly on Oct. 20 from 1926 to 1939, incl. Cert. check on a responsible bank or trust company, for 3% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Board of School Commissioners, required. Bids must be made upon forms which will be furnished upon application to the Business Director.

INGLEWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The William R. Staats Co., has purchased the \$47,000 6% 12½-year (aver.) tax-free bonds, dated Sept. 1 1920. Offered on Sept. 7.—V. 111, p. 1011.

A bid of \$44,045 was also submitted by the Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles.

ISLETON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, Sacramento County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—On Oct. 4 bids will be received for \$100,000 6% bonds, it is stated, by the Clerk of Board of County Supervisors (P. O. Sacramento).

JAMESTOWN, Chautauqua County, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED.—On Aug. 21 the citizens voted the issuance of \$150,000 bonds, the money to be used in supplying the city with a municipal milk plant.

JASPER COUNTY (P. O. Rensselaer), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—John T. Biggs, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 1 p. m. Sept. 30 for \$8,800 Jacob Johnson Road and \$8,800 A. D. Hershman Road 5% impt. bonds. Each issue is in the denomination of \$440, is dated Sept. 15 1920, is payable \$440 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl., interest being payable semi-annually on May 15 and Nov. 15.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Boulder), Mont.—BOND SALE.—The \$3,000 6% 5-10 year (opt.) school bonds offered on Aug. 10—V. 111, p. 411—have been sold to the State Land Commission at par.

JENNINGS SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Austin), Scott County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Ed. D. Casey, Township Trustee, will receive bids until 2 p. m. Oct. 2 for \$12,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 2 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable at the Austin State Bank, of Austin. Due \$500 each six months from Jan. 1 1921 to July 1 1932, incl. Cert. check for \$100, payable to the Township Trustee, required.

JEROME HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Jerome), Jerome County, Ida.—BOND ELECTION.—On Oct. 2 \$220,000 6% highway bonds are to be voted upon. L. G. Phillips, Sec.

KANABEC COUNTY (P. O. Mora), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The Minneapolis Trust Co. was the successful bidder on Sept. 15 for the \$125,000 6% 10-year coupon or registered bonds, dated Sept. 1 1920—V. 111, p. 1011—at 100.21 and interest a basis of about 5.97%. Other bidders were: Northwestern Trust Co. \$125,250, Wells Dickey Co. \$125,150.

KELSEYVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lake County, Calif.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—BONDS RE-OFFERED.—There was no disposition made on Sept. 13 of the \$20,000 6% coupon school bonds—V. 111, p. 912. The bonds will be reoffered on Oct. 12.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, Wash.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 13 the \$10,000 coupon bonds—V. 111, p. 1011—were awarded to the State of Washington at par for 5 1/4s.

KLICKITAT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 94, Wash.—BOND SALE.—This district recently sold an issue of \$3,000 5 1/4% school bonds to the State of Washington at par.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—The Board of Commissioners will, until Oct. 5, at 10 a. m., receive sealed bids for \$2,000,000 5 1/2% coupon funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Prin. payable at the Chase National Bank, N. Y. Due Sept. 1 1950. Certified check on some bank in Knoxville for \$40,000, payable to the City of Knoxville, required. Bonds will be printed, lithographed or engraved under the direction of John L. Greer, City Recorder, at the expense of the purchasers thereof. The bonds will be sold subject to approval as to legality by Schaffer & Williams of Cincinnati, whose approving opinion will be furnished to the successful bidder without charge. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

KOKOMO, Howard County, Ind.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received for an issue of \$20,000 6% 60-day time warrants, which were offered on Sept. 7.

KOKOMO SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Kokomo, Howard County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING).—J. A. Kautz, Treasurer of School Board, will receive proposals until 11 a. m. Sept. 30 for \$115,000 6% school bonds. Denom. 100 for \$1,000 and 30 for \$500. Interest semi-annual.

KOSCIUSKO, Attala County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—At 6 p. m., Oct. 6, sealed bids will be received for \$30,000 6% 20 year school bonds by C. O. Townsend, City Clerk. Cert. checks for 2 1/2% required.

LEE COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 11 a. m. Nov. 1 by O. M. Davison, Chairman of the Board of Public Instruction (P. O. Fort Myers), for the \$100,000 6% school bonds mentioned in V. 111, p. 1011. Int. semi-ann. Date April 1, 1920. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$3,000 1922 to 1941, incl., and \$4,000 1942 to 1951, incl. Cert. check for 2% required.

LIMA, Allen County, Ohio.—NOTE OFFERING.—David L. Rupert, City Auditor, will receive bids until 12 m. Sept. 27 for the \$224,000 6% Askins relief-sewer notes, offered but not sold on Aug. 23—V. 111, p. 913. Denoms. to suit purchaser. Date day of issuance. Int. semi-ann. Due five years from date. Bids may be made on a basis of monthly deliveries of \$20,000 each. Certified check on a solvent bank, for 2% of amount of notes bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid off for within 60 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

LINDSEY, Sandusky County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Herbert Maggs, Village Treasurer, will receive bids until 12 m. Oct. 1 for \$18,464 6% Maple Street impt. bonds. Denom. 18 for \$900 and 2 for \$1,132. Date Oct. 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$900 each six months from Mar. 1 1921 to Sept. 1 1929, incl., and \$1,132 March 1 and Sept. 1 1930. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

LOCKPORT, Niagara County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 16 the following two issues of 5% bonds were awarded to local banks at par and interest: \$90,000 school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Principal and semi-annual interest (J. & J.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$6,000 yearly on Jan. 2 from 1922 to 1936, inclusive. 5,000 hill improvement bonds. Denom. \$2,500. Principal and interest payable Jan. 2 1922 at the City Treasurer's office. Date Sept. 8 1920.

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—The following bond issues have been proposed for submission to the voters in November: \$5,000,000 for a site and building for a public library; \$7,000,000 for a new city hall; \$3,000,000 for additions to water system; \$2,000,000 for new fire engine houses and new fire alarm system, and the resubmission of the \$4,100,000 bond issue for a memorial auditorium which was defeated on Aug. 31 as reported in V. 111, p. 1200.

LUBBOCK, Lubbock County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—Kauffman-Smith-Emery & Co. of St. Louis recently purchased \$110,000 6% tax-free bonds. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Date July 5 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the Hanover Nat. Bank, N. Y. Due yearly on July 1 as follows:

\$5,000—1925	\$5,000—1934	\$4,000—1942
5,000—1926	4,000—1935	4,000—1943
5,000—1927	4,000—1936	4,000—1944
5,000—1928	4,000—1937	4,000—1945
5,000—1929	4,000—1938	4,000—1946
5,000—1930	4,000—1939	4,000—1947
5,000—1931	4,000—1940	4,000—1948
5,000—1932	4,000—1941	4,000—1949

*\$2,000 of each maturity is in \$500 pieces.

Financial Statement.

Estimated actual value of taxable property	\$7,000,000
Assessed valuation of taxable property, 1920	4,000,950
Total bonded indebtedness, this issue included	\$206,000
Water works bonds	65,000
Net bonded indebtedness	141,000
Population, 1920 Census	4,051

McMINN COUNTY (P. O. Athens), Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received, it is reported, until 12 m. Oct. 2, for \$75,000 6% road bonds. Geo. L. Ray is Chairman of County Court.

MAHONING COUNTY (P. O. Youngstown), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On Aug. 25 the Wm. R. Compton Co. was awarded \$307,000 6% road and bridge bonds, dated June 15 1920, of which \$249,000 mature June 15 1930, and \$58,000 June 15 1945. Denom. \$1,000. Int. M. & S.

MALHEUR COUNTY (P. O. Vale), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—On Oct. 5 at 10 a. m. \$95,000 5 1/2% road bonds will be offered for sale. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1919. Interest semi-annually, payable at the office of the County Treasurer or at the fiscal agency of the State of Oregon in New York. Certified check on a reputable solvent bank for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to "Malheur County" required. Bids will be received for any amount of said bonds, of the following several series, not exceeding \$95,000, par value and accrued interest. \$4,000 of Series "A" to run and be payable four years from Dec. 1 1919; \$4,000 of Series "B" to run and be payable six years from Dec. 1 1919; \$6,000 of Series "C" to run and be payable eight years from Dec. 1 1919; \$8,000 of Series "D" to run and be payable ten years from Dec. 1 1919; \$10,000 of Series "E" to run and be payable twelve years from Dec. 1 1919; \$13,000 of Series "F" to run and be payable fourteen years from Dec. 1 1919; \$15,000 of Series "G" to run and be payable sixteen years from Dec. 1 1919; \$16,000 of Series "H" to run and be payable eighteen years from Dec. 1 1919; \$19,000 of Series "I" to run and be payable twenty years from Dec. 1 1919.

MARION PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lauderdale County, Miss.—BONDS NOT YET SOLD.—We are informed that no sale was made of the \$5,000 6% bonds recently offered (V. 111, p. 1012). Denom. \$100. Interest annually (Sept. 1). Due yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1945, incl. The bonds can be bought at a bid of par or better.

MARSHLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Marshland), Columbia County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 6% bonds offered on Aug. 14—V. 111, p. 313—have, we are informed, been sold.

MEBANE, Alamance County, No. Caro.—BIDS REJECTED.—All bids received for the \$160,000 6% gold water and sewer bonds offered on Sept. 21—V. 111, p. 1200—were rejected. Private bids will be received within the next 30 days by the Town Clerk.

MIAMI BEACH, Dade County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 20 the Bank of Biscayne, of Miami, was the successful bidder for the \$95,000 6%

1/2 year (aver) street impt. bonds, dated Sept. 1 1920.—V. 111, p. 1107—at 97.00 a basis of about 6.57%.

MIAMI COUNTY (P. O. Peru), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—C. E. Revburn, County Treasurer, will receive proposals until Oct. 7 for the following road bonds: \$8,745 00 Jacob Moore et al. Pipe Creek Twp., bonds. Date June 15 1920. Payable serially for five years. 8,600 00 Mawhinney Shaw et al Jackson Twp. county line bonds. Date April 15 1920. Due serially for ten years. 2,825 00 Chas. N. Wales et al Jackson Twp. county line bonds. Date April 15 1920. Due serially for five years. 3,750 00 Oliver M. Powell et al Allen Twp. county line bonds. Date Aug. 15 1920. Due serially for ten years. 14,853 90 Frank Dillman et al Henry Twp. county line bonds. Date Aug. 15 1920. Due serially for ten years.

MILWAUKEE, Wisc.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received until 11 a. m. Sept. 29 by Louis M. Kotecki, City Comptroller and Ex-officio Secretary to the Commissioners of Public Debt, for the following 6% 20-year serial tax-free coupon bonds, which were offered without success on July 30—V. 111, p. 615. \$400,000 6% electric lighting bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. 120,000 6% grade crossing and abolition bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. 350,000 6% park bonds. Denoms. 340 for \$1,000 and 20 for \$500. Date Jan. 1 1920. 500,000 6% harbor impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. 800,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. 2,200,000 6% sewerage system bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. 400,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. 400,000 6% vocational school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. 200,000 6% street opening bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable at the office of the City Treasurer, or may be presented for payment to the duly authorized agent of the city of Milwaukee in New York City, N. Y. Cert. check on a national bank or on a City of Milwaukee depository for 1% of the amount of bonds bid for, required. The unqualified favorable opinion of Chas. B. Wood, of Wood & Oakley, Chicago, has been obtained and will be furnished, without additional expense, together with all legal papers necessary to establish the validity of the bonds. Bonds must be paid for in Milwaukee, but will be delivered out of the City at the expense of the purchaser. Bids are requested for all or none.

MINERAL WELLS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Mineral Wells), Palo Pinto County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—This district on Sept. 14 registered \$45,000 6% serial bonds with the State Comptroller.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 2 p. m. Sept. 27 by J. A. Ridgway, Sec. of Board of Park Commrs., for \$131,900 parkway-impt. bonds not to exceed 5% int. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due in 1940. A deposit equal to 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to C. A. Bloomquist, City Treasurer, required.

MISSOURI COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40 (P. O. Frenchtown), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—On Oct. 9 \$15,000 school bonds will be offered for sale. Interest not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Fred. Hamel, Clerk.

MOBERLY, Randolph County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Oct. 4 for the \$175,000 6% 10-20-year (opt.) water works bonds voted on Aug. 26—V. 111, p. 1012—by J. T. Gross, Mayor. Date Oct. 1 1920.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Crawfordsville), Ind.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that \$5,600 4 1/2% Ronk-Thompson road bonds were sold to A. B. Mercer, of Ladoga, for \$5,644 10, equal to 100.787.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Rockville), Md.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 14 an issue of \$41,775 6% road bonds was awarded to the Farmers Banking & Trust Co. of Rockville at 103.25, a basis of about 5.57%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due \$2,000 yearly.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Troy), No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—Pape, Potter, Kauffman, Inc., and the First National Bank, both of St. Louis have purchased \$100,000 6% tax-free bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. payable in New York City, N. Y. Due \$5,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1922 to 1941, incl.

Financial Statement.

Assessed value for taxation	\$16,351,551
Total bonded debt, this issue only	100,000
Population, 1920 Census, 14,607	

Debt less than 1%.

MORROW COUNTY (P. O. Heppner), Ore.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$20,000 road bonds offered at not exceeding 5 1/2% interest on May 15—V. 110, p. 2106—were not sold.

MOULTON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Wapakoneta R. D., Auglaize County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Edgar R. Metz, Township Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. Sept. 27 for \$12,800 5% Cozad Road impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,280. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$1,280 Mar. 1 1921, and \$1,280 each six months from Mar. 1 1922 to Mar. 1 1926, incl. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for payable to the Township Treasurer, required.

MULBERRY SEPARATE ROAD DISTRICT, Miss.—BONDS VOTED.—During August the voters favored the issuance of \$50,000 road bonds, it is reported.

MUSSELSEHELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 32 (P. O. Rothiemay), Mont.—BOND SALE.—The \$3,000 6% 10-20 year (opt.) school bonds offered on July 24—V. 111, p. 217—have been taken by the State Board of Land Commissioners at par.

NASHUA, Hillsborough County, N. H.—BOND OFFERING.—It is reported that the City Treasurer will receive proposals until 10 a. m. Sept. 29 for \$18,000 5% high-school bonds. Date Sept. 1 1920. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$2,000 1921 to 1923, inclusive, and \$1,000 1924 to 1935, inclusive.

NASHVILLE, Nash County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Leon T. Vaughn, Town Clerk, will, at 10 a. m. Oct. 1, receive bids for the purchase of \$125,000 6% gold coupon (with privilege of registration) street impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$5,000 1923 to 1928, incl.; \$10,000 1929 to 1934, incl.; \$15,000 1935 and \$20,000 1936. Cert. check or cash on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for payable to the said Town Clerk, required. The successful bidders will be furnished with the opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of N. Y., that the bonds are valid and binding obligations of the town of Nashville and the bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of N. Y., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the town officials and the seal impressed thereon. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

NAVARRO COUNTY LEVEE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller on Sept. 17 registered \$30,000 6% serial bonds.

NEESES SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Orangeburg), Orangeburg County, So. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Oct. 11 for \$14,000 school bonds at not exceeding 6% interest, by H. M. Stevenson, Chairman Board of School Trustees, it is stated.

NEW BRIGHTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. New Brighton), Beaver County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—H. W. Douglass, District Secretary, will receive bids until 8 p. m. Oct. 15 for \$100,000 5 1/2% tax-free school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due serially to 1950. Cert. check for \$1,000, payable to Thos. Kennedy, District Treasurer, required.

NEWMAN GROVE, Madison County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—A \$14,000 6% coupon sewer bond issue was recently disposed of, it is stated. Denoms. \$100 and \$500. Date May 1 1920. Int. ann. Due \$3,500 yearly from 1921 to 1924, incl.

NEWTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Newton), Harvey County, Kans.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 13 the \$115,000 5 1/2% 7 1/2 year (aver) school building bonds were awarded to Vernon H. Branch & Co. at 93.92 a basis of about 6%. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$5,000 1922 to 1929 incl. and \$75,000 1930.

NIAGARA FALLS, Niagara County, N. Y.—BIDS.—The following is a list of the bids submitted for the \$250,000 5½% 28-year (aver.) school bonds awarded on Sept. 17 to R. M. Grant & Co. (V. 111, p. 1200):
 R. M. Grant & Co., N. Y. \$262,375.00 Stacy & Braun, N. Y. \$258,425.00
 Remick, Hodges & Co., N. Y. 261,722.50 Buffalo 258,000.00
 Kissel, Kinneicut & Co., N. Y. 261,707.50 Thayer, Drew & Co., N. Y.
 Guar. Tr. Co., N. Y. 259,872.50 National City Co., N. Y. 255,497.50
 Buff. Tr. Co., Buff. 259,360.00 Wm. R. Compton Co. 252,655.00
 Hornblower & Weeks 259,300.00 White, Weld & Co. N. Y. A. B. Leach & Co., N. Y.

NILES, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Homer Thomas, City Auditor, will receive bids until 2 p. m. Oct. 18 for \$3,000 6% Union Cemetery Improvement bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1920. Interest semi-annual. Due Oct. 1 1924. Certified check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

NOGALES, Santa Cruz County, Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.—On Oct. 4 \$85,000 water bonds will be offered for sale.

NOOKSACK, Whatcom County, Wash.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—There was no sale made of the \$4,600 bonds offered on July 20—V. 111, p. 217.

NORFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Dedham), Mass.—NOTE SALE.—On Sept. 21 the \$50,000 revenue notes, dated Sept. 21 and maturing Nov. 8 1920—V. 111, p. 1200—were awarded to R. L. Day & Co., of Boston, at 5.98% discount.

NORTH ADAMS, Berkshire County, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING.—Proposals for the purchase at discount of a temporary loan of \$50,000, dated Sept. 28 and maturing Nov. 17, will be received by the City Treasurer until 11 a. m. Sept. 28, it is stated.

NORTHAMPTON, Hampshire County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On Sept. 22 a temporary loan of \$100,000, dated Sept. 23 1920 and maturing March 23 1921, was awarded to Bond & Goodwin, at 6.10%, interest to follow.

NORTH CANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. North Canton), Stark County, Ohio.—NO BIDS.—No bids were submitted for the \$120,000 6% school bonds, offered on Sept. 17—V. 111, p. 1012.

NORTH PLATTE, Lincoln County, Neb.—BOND ELECTION.—On Oct. 19 \$10,000 fire-house-extension and \$50,000 water-works-system-extension bonds will be voted upon.

NORWALK, Huron County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by L. Snook, City Auditor, until 12 m., Oct. 9 for \$35,000 6% electric light plant bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$2,500 each six months from Mar. 1 1924 to Sept. 1 1930, incl. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

NOXUBEE COUNTY (P. O. Macon), Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by John A. Tyson, Clerk Board of County Supervisors, until 2 p. m. Oct. 9, for the following 6% bonds: \$90,000 Supervisors' District No. 1 bonds. Date Sept. 6 1920. Cert. check for \$500, required. 50,000 Road District No. 4 bonds. Date Oct. 4 1920. Cert. check for \$500, required. Denom. \$500. Int. semi-ann.

OCONEE COUNTY (P. O. Walhalla), So. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 5% 15½ year (aver.) coupon or registered road bonds, dated July 1 1920—mentioned in V. 111, p. 218—were recently awarded to John Nuveen & Co., of Chicago as 6s, at 96.27 a basis of about 6.39%.

PASADENA, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—An amendment to the charter of Pasadena City which would enable the city to pay up to 6% interest on all municipal bond issues, will be submitted to the voters of the city at the November general election; this was decided by the Commission on Sept. 18.

PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Philadelphia), Pa.—BANKS WITHDRAW STIPULATION—LOAN A SUCCESS.—The "Philadelphia Press" reports that the banks which offered to take up the unsold portion of the \$1,000,000 loan—V. 111, p. 1200—have withdrawn their stipulation that the funds be applied to a flat increase in teachers' salaries, leaving the Board of Edu. to dispose of the money at its own discretion. This action assures the success of the sale of the \$1,000,000 5% bonds, which are dated Aug. 1 1920, and mature \$50,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1931 to 1950, incl.

William Dick, Secretary of the Board of Education, in confirming the report of the success of the loan, states that the prices at which the bonds were ranged from par to 100.50.

PHILLIPS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40 (P. O. Lovejoy), Mont.—BOND SALE.—The State Board of Land Commissioners has taken at par the \$3,000 10-20 year (opt.) school bonds which were offered on July 20—V. 110, p. 2697.

PLACERVILLE, Eldorado County, Calif.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—We are advised by O. E. Bailey, City Clerk, that no bids were submitted for the \$30,000 5½% gold coupon municipal water system bonds offered on Sept. 7—V. 111, p. 1012.

The City Clerk also advises us that the Board would meet on Sept. 21 at 8 p. m. at which time some disposition would be made of the bonds.

PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Plains), Sumter County, Ga.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$50,000 5% 3-30 year serial school bonds recently voted—V. 111, p. 1012—are in denom. of \$1,000 and are dated Sept. 1 1920. Int. annually. These bonds can be purchased at a private sale at the office of Shipp & Sheppard, Attorneys, (P. O. Americus).

PLEASANT RIDGE, Oakland County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—Keane, Higbie & Co., of Detroit, have purchased and are now offering to investors at a price to yield 5.80% \$50,000 6% water works bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Peoples State Bank of Detroit. Due Aug. 1 1950. Bonded Debt, this issue only. Assessed Value, 1920, \$1,838,000.

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hazlehurst), Copiah County, Miss.—NO SALE.—At the recent offering of \$8,000 6% bonds only bids on 7% basis were received and none accepted.

POLK COUNTY (P. O. Des Moines), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$71,000 6% 15½-year aver. funding bridge bonds has been purchased by R. M. Grant Co. of New York for \$72,135, equal to 101.415, a basis of about 5.86%. Other bidders were: Schanck & Co. \$72,130| Bolger, Mosser & Willaman \$71,910 W. R. Compton & Co. 72,070|

PORTLAND, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Geo. R. Funk, City Auditor, will receive bids for \$200,000 5½% construction bonds until Sept. 25, it reported.

PORTSMOUTH, Scioto County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$13,500 5½% coupon impt. bonds, offered on Sept. 16—V. 111, p. 914—were awarded at par and interest to the Central National Bank of Portsmouth. Date Aug. 1 1920. Due \$2,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1927 to 1932, incl. There were no other bidders.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY (P. O. Upper Marlboro), Md.—BOND OFFERING.—The Board of Education will receive proposals until 12 m. Sept. 29 for \$10,000 5% 30-year coupon school bonds. Date Nov. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due Nov. 1 1950. Cert. check for \$5,000 required.

QUINCY, Norfolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A temporary loan of \$300,000, dated Sept. 23 1920 and maturing April 14 1921, was awarded on Sept. 23 to the Old Colony Trust Co., of Boston, on a 6.04% discount basis.

REFUGIO COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller registered the \$16,000 5½% serial bonds mentioned in V. 111, p. 517—on Sept. 14.

RICHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Mansfield), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Citizens National Bank of Mansfield and the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Lucas have purchased at par \$76,244 53 6% 8½-year (aver.) road bonds. Denom. \$1,000 and \$2,000. Int. A. & O.

RICHMOND, Va.—BOND SALE.—Harris, Forbes & Co., Estabrook & Co., both of N. Y., and F. E. Nolting & Co., of Richmond, were awarded the \$750,000 gas works and \$600,000 public impt. 6% 10-year coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds, dated July 1 1920.—V. 111, p. 1201—on Sept. 21 at 100.338 and interest a basis of about 5.96%.

RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT, Contra Costa County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that \$45,000 bonds have been taken by local banks. The bonds are part of the \$565,000 5½% school bonds which were offered during July—V. 111, p. 711—but failed to receive a bid.

RIVERHEAD COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Manville), Suffolk County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$6,000 6% school bonds will be received until 1 p. m. Sept. 27 by Frederick W. Meyer, Clerk of Board of School Trustees. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and annual interest payable at the Suffolk County National Bank, of Riverhead. Due \$500 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1922 to 1933, incl.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE SALE.—On Sept. 22 the \$150,000 Overdue Tax, \$100,000 Sewage Disposal, \$10,000 Repairs Under Guarantee, and \$25,000 Brown Street Subway notes, maturing four months from Sept. 27—V. 111, p. 1201—were awarded to the National Bank of Rochester on a 6% interest basis.

ROSS COUNTY (P. O. Chillicothe), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids for \$40,000 6% bridge bonds will be received until 12 m. Sept. 30 by Walter S. Barrett, County Auditor. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the County Auditor's office. Due \$4,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the County Auditor, required.

SALEM, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Sinking Fund Trustees purchased at par and interest the \$23,927.64 6% funding bonds offered on Sept. 14—V. 111, p. 914. Date Aug. 15 1920. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$927.64, 1931, \$1,000 1932 to 1935 incl. \$2,000 1936 to 1944 and \$1,000 1945.

SALEM CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Salem), Richardson County, Neb.—BID REJECTED.—The only bid, which was for bonds bearing 7%, received on Sept. 15 for the \$30,000 5½% school bonds.—V. 111, p. 1013—was rejected.

SALINAS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Monterey County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$60,000 5½% bonds has been sold to the Salinas City Bank and the First Nat. Bank, both of Salinas, jointly.

SANDUSKY, Erie County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—The City Commission, it is said, has approved legislation putting before the voters at the November election the question of issuing \$244,000 street repair bonds.

SANTA ANA, Orange County, Calif.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—Recently \$234,000 municipal bonds were offered but failed to receive a bid, it is stated.

It is also stated that the rate of interest which bonds bear namely 5½%, is not sufficiently attractive at the present time.

SAYREVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sayreville), Middlesex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 21 the issue of 6% school-bldg. bonds, offered on that date (V. 111, p. 1108) was awarded to the First National Bank of South River, which bid \$100,077.60 for \$98,000 bonds—the price thus being 102.12, a basis of about 5.75%. Date July 1 1920. Due \$4,000 yearly on July 1 from 1944 to 1945, incl., and \$2,000 July 1 1945. A list of the bids follows:

Name	Amount Bid For.	Price Bid.
First National Bank, South River	\$98,000.00	\$100,077.60
South River Trust Co.	99,000.00	101,036.00
Second National Bank, Red Bank	100,000.00	100,255.60
B. J. Van Ingen & Co., New York	100,000.00	100,058.00

SCOTLAND, Bon Homme County, So. Dak.—BOND ELECTION.—The voters of Scotland at a special election to be held Sept. 28, will have submitted to them, it is stated, the question of authorizing bonds of \$45,000 for the extension of the municipal water works system.

SEATTLE, Wash.—PART OF ISSUE SUBSCRIBED.—We are advised by H. W. Carroll, City Comptroller, that up to Sept. 17 \$351,600 of the \$600,000 6% 6-20 year electric light bonds which are being sold over the counter at par and interest (as reported in V. 111, p. 315) had been subscribed for.

SEATTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Seattle), Kings County, Wash.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 17 the \$1,125,000 school bond issue—V. 111, p. 1013—was awarded as follows: \$675,000 6% 21½ year (aver.) school bonds to William R. Compton Co., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Merrill, Oldham & Co., John E. Price & Co., and Carstens & Earles, Inc., jointly, at 100.10 and interest, a basis of about 5.99%. Due as follows: \$9,000 Oct. 1 1923 and \$9,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 each year from 1924 to 1960 incl.

450,000 5% school bonds to the State of Washington at par.

Date Oct. 1 1920.

The following is a complete list of bids submitted.

State of Washington bid par, for \$450,000 bonds; interest rate 5%. (Accepted).

Carstens & Earles, John E. Price & Co., Wm. R. Compton Co., St. Louis, Mo., and Merrill & Oldham Co., Boston, Mass., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Chicago, Ill., and E. H. Rollins & Co., Chicago, Ill., bid par on balance of \$675,000, over and above bonds not taken by State of Washington, under proposition No. 1, interest rate 6%, premium \$675. (Accepted).

Carstens & Earles, etc. bid par under proposition No. 2, interest 6%, premium \$675. (Rejected).

R. M. Grant & Co., by Oscar P. Dix Co., agents, bid \$100.07, interest rate 6%. (Rejected).

Seattle National Bank bid \$1,000.90, interest 6%. (Rejected).

Dexter Horton National Bank and associates, bid par, interest 6%. (Rejected).

The different propositions under which the bonds were offered were given in V. 111, p. 1013.

SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Center), Tex.—BOND SALE.—Smith Bros. of Crockett have purchased the following road bonds which were offered on July 17—V. 111, p. 315—\$80,000 Road District No. 1, \$100,000 Road District No. 2, \$350,000 Road District No. 3, \$70,000 Road District No. 5 and \$100,000 Road District No. 6 bonds.

SHREVEPORT, Caddo Parish, La.—BONDS VOTED.—Bonds aggregating \$1,250,000 were authorized it is stated by a large majority at the election held Sept. 14—V. 111, p. 1108.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE CITY GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.—It is also stated that a proposal to change the government of Shreveport to Commission Manager form was defeated by 1568 against the proposition to 779 for it.

SIDNEY, Cheyenne County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—Bosworth, Chanute & Co., and Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co., both of Denver, were the successful bidders for the following bonds: \$99,000 water, \$70,000 electric lighting and heating and \$27,000 water extension bonds.

SISSON UNION GRAMMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT, Siskiyou County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—On Oct. 5 \$26,000 6% bonds will be offered and sold to the highest bidder, it is stated. Due yearly from 1921 to 1946, incl.

SKAGIT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22, Wash.—BOND SALE.—This district recently awarded \$15,000 5½% school bonds to the State of Washington.

SOUTHEASTERN SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT, Greene County, Mo.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At the election held Aug. 31—V. 111, p. 914—\$8,000 bonds were turned down, it is reported.

SPRINGFIELD, Windsor County, Vt.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$85,000 5% school bonds will be received by the Town Clerk until 4 p. m. Oct. 6. Due \$8,500 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

STEUBEN COUNTY (P. O. Angola), Ind.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The two issues of road bonds, aggregating \$12,340, offered on Sept. 9—V. 111, p. 1013—were not sold, there being no bidders for the bonds.

STILLWATER COUNTY (P. O. Columbus), Mont.—PURCHASER.—The successful bidder for the \$100,000 6% highway bonds sold on Sept. 10 as reported in V. 111, p. 1201—was H. E. Durland of Chicago who paid par and interest.

SUFFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Riverhead), N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 18 the \$75,000 5% 11-15 year serial registered tuberculosis hospital

onds described in V. 111, p. 1108, were awarded at par to the Suffolk County Trust Co. of Riverhead, the only bidder. Date Sept. 1 1920.

SUMMER LAKE IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Summer Lake), Lake County, Ore.—BONDS NOT YET SOLD.—The \$260,000 6% 6-25-year serial irrigation bonds which were offered on July 10—V. 110, p. 2697—have not been sold as yet.

SWITZERLAND COUNTY (P. O. Vevay), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—C. E. Pangburn, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Oct. 9 for \$50,000 6% gravel-road-repair bonds. Denom. \$625. Date Sept. 15 1920. Interest M. & N. Due \$5,000 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1925, incl.

TERRA BELLA IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Terra Bella), Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—This district on Sept. 14 awarded \$100,000 6% bonds to Aronson & Co. of Los Angeles at 86.04. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Int. J. & J. Due 1945 and 1946.

TEXAS (State of).—BONDS REGISTERED.—The following 5% bonds have been registered with the State Comptroller:

Am't. Place and Purpose of Issue.	Due.	Date Reg.
\$2,800 Brown County Common Sch. Dist. No. 18	5-20 years	Sept. 14
3,500 Crowley Independent School District	10-40 years	Sept. 14
3,300 Lamar County Common Sch. Dist. No. 6	serially	Sept. 17
3,000 Terry County Common Sch. Dist. No. 4	15-20 years	Sept. 14

TIMBER LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Timber Lake), Dewey County, So. Dak.—BOND SALE.—The Casady Bond Co., of Des Moines, was recently the successful bidder for an issue of \$30,000 7% 5-20-year bonds at par and interest.

TITUS COUNTY (P. O. Mt. Pleasant), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—An issue of \$20,000 5½% bonds was registered on Sept. 17 with the State Comptroller.

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$185,000 6% public wharf bonds will be received until 12 m. Oct. 5 by John J. Higgins, Director of Finance. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due Sept. 1 1960; optional after Sept. 1 1930. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Commissioners of the Treasury, required.

TOLEDO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Toledo), Lucas County, Ohio.—BONDS TO BE ISSUED.—The Toledo "Blade" reports that on Sept. 20 the Board of Education authorized the issuance of \$1,000,000 of the \$11,000,000 bond issue voted by the people on Aug. 11—V. 111, p. 915. It is further said that because of the present tightness of the money market the Board agreed on 6% as the interest rate.

TOTOWA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Passaic County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Oswald W. Hargreaves, Clerk of Board of Education (P. O. 45 Grant Ave., Totowa, N. J.), will receive bids until 8 p. m. Oct. 2 for \$25,000 6% gold coupon (with privilege of registration) school bonds. Date Oct. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable in U. S. gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, at the U. S. Trust Co. of Paterson. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,500 1922 and 1923; \$2,000 1924 to 1934, incl. Certified check on an incorporated bank or trust company, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the "Board of Education," required.

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY (P. O. Brevard), No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 12 m. Oct. 2 by C. K. Osborne, Chairman Board of County Commissioners, for \$100,000 6% bonds. Int. semi-ann. Bonds to be payable at such times and places as the Board of County Commissioners may determine. Cert. check for 5% of the amount bid, required.

TROY, Rensselaer County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., of New York, offering \$210,780 (105.39) and interest, which is at a basis of about 5.28%, were awarded the \$200,000 6% registered fire-alarm, telegraph and police-signal bonds offered on Sept. 20 (V. 111, p. 1201). Date Oct. 1 1920. Due \$10,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1940, incl. The following bids for the entire issue were received: Geo. B. Gibbons & Co. \$210,780 00 National City Co. \$207,598 00 Field, Richards & Co. 210,080 00 Thayer, Drew & Co. 207,240 00 Sherwood & Merrifield 209,567 89 Harris, Forbes & Co. 206,802 00 A. B. Leach & Co. 208,662 00 Manufacturers' National White, Weld & Co. 208,121 24 Bank, Troy 205,912 00 The Troy Savings Bank offered \$54,700 for \$50,000 of the issue.

TUCSON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Tucson), Pima County, Ariz.—BOND BIDS REJECTED.—On Sept. 14 all bids received for the \$350,000 6% school bonds (V. 111, p. 915), were rejected, because they were below par.

TULSA, Okla.—BOND ELECTION CONSIDERED.—Since the Supreme Court held \$5,000,000 bonds already voted illegal a new election may be called to perfect the legality, it is reported.

TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Turlock), Stanislaus County, Calif.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$510,000 5½% tax-free bonds awarded on Sept. 10 to the Bank of Italy at 89.38 (V. 111, p. 1201), are described as follows: Denoms. \$1,000, \$400 and \$100. Date July 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due yearly as follows: \$10,200 1941 and 1942; \$15,300 1943 and 1944; \$20,400 1945 to 1948, incl.; \$25,500 1949 to 1952, incl.; \$30,600 1953 to 1956, incl.; \$35,700 1957 and 1958; and \$40,800 1959 and 1960.

Financial Statement.

Bonded debt (including this series)	\$3,172,000 00
Bonded debt per acre	18 06
Assessed value of real property in district (1919)	12,084,345 00
Actual value of real property in district (estimated)	35,000,000 00
Population of district (estimated)	18,000.

TWIN FALLS, Twin Falls County, Ida.—BOND ELECTION.—During the latter part of October an election may be held to vote on \$85,000 street and fire department bonds.

UNION SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Chesterfield), Madison County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—J. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis have purchased at par the \$44,000 6% school-bldg. bonds offered on July 22—V. 111, p. 219. Date July 1 1920. Due \$3,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1934, incl., and \$2,000 July 1 1935.

VALLEJO, Solano County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—It is stated that the City Council has adopted a resolution authorizing City Attorney H. A. Gee to prepare a call for a bond election for an auxiliary water system. The election will be held in October and it is expected bonds amounting to \$1,250,000 will be voted for a reservoir in Gordon Valley.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY (P. O. Evansville), Ind.—BOND SALE.—On Sept. 18 John Friday & Co., of Evansville, were awarded at par and interest, the \$16,900 4½% W. A. Hepler et al Armstrong Twp. road bonds, offered on that date, V. 111, p. 1108. Date Sept. 18 1920. Due \$845 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, inclusive.

VIGO COUNTY (P. O. Terre Haute), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Geo. A. Schall, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Sept. 29 for \$55,500 5% John Barbazette road-improvement bonds. Denom. \$50 for \$1,000 and 10 for \$550. Date Sept. 6 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$5,550 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1925, inclusive.

BOND OFFERING.—The County Treasurer will also receive bids until 10 a. m. Oct. 2 for \$33,000 A. P. Wilson et al. Pierson & Riley Twps. road bonds. Denom. 140 for \$200 and 20 for \$250. Date Sept. 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$1,650 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

VOLUSIA COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12, Fla.—BOND SALE.—According to reports the \$30,000 6% 20-year school bonds—V. 111, p. 817—were sold on Aug. 27 to the First National Bank of De Land at 95 and interest and expense of printing bonds.

WALLA WALLA COUNTY (P. O. Walla Walla), Wash.—BOND SALE.—Guy Allen Towner, County Auditor, advises us that \$300,000 6% Donahue Road bonds have been sold to local farmers at par. Denom. \$1,000. Int. M. & S. Due yearly on Sept. 7 from 1921 to 1931, incl.

WALLA WALLA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 74, Wash.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No disposition was made of the \$5,000 school bonds offered for sale during July (V. 111, p. 112).

WARRICK COUNTY (P. O. Boonville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$52,400 4½% John F. Heinze et al. Boon Twp. road bonds will be received until 2 p. m. Sept. 28 by James L. Allen, County Treasurer. Denom. \$655. Date Sept. 6 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$2,620 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

WASHINGTON, Daviess County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Fred Fromme, City Clerk, will receive proposals until 5 p. m. Sept. 27 for \$11,500 6% municipal bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 15 1920. Int. M. & N.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—W. L. Taylor, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 1:30 p. m. Sept. 27 for \$3,600 Letroy Casey et al Polk Twp. and \$23,000 Oscar L. Scifres et al Polk Twp. 4½% road bonds. Denom. \$180 and \$1,150. Date Sept. 6 1920. Int. M. & N. Due one bond of each issue each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Hazleton), Gibson County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Louis Sisson, Township Trustee, will receive bids until 1 p. m. Oct. 2 for \$57,000 6% Mt. Olympus School Bldg. bonds. Denoms. 30 for \$1,000 and 30 for \$900. Date Oct. 2 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,900 on each July 1 and Dec. 31 from July 1 1921 to Dec. 31 1935, incl.

This is the issue of bonds which was awarded on Aug. 12 to J. F. Wild & Co., who, we are now advised, refused to carry out their contract on the ground that the issue had been illegally advertised.

WAYNESBORO SEPARATE ROAD DISTRICT (P. O. Waynesboro), Wayne County, Miss.—BOND ELECTION.—At an election to be held to-day (Sept. 25) a proposition providing for the creation of the said district and the issuance of \$75,000 bonds, will be voted upon, it is stated.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 34 (P. O. Ault), Colo.—BONDS VOTED.—An issue of \$30,000 6% school bonds recently carried. The bonds have been sold as previously reported in V. 111, p. 915.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40 (P. O. Pierce), Colo.—BOND ELECTION—SALE.—Subject to an election to be called, an issue of 6% 15-30 year (opt.) funding school bonds has been sold to International Trust Co. of Denver. Amount to run between \$18,000 and \$20,000.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (P. O. Munn), Colo.—CORRECTION.—The 6% 15-30 year (opt.) bond issue recently awarded to the International Trust Co. of Denver, was issued for funding purposes (not refunding), as reported in V. 111, p. 1202).

WESTFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Westfield), Union County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Mark A. Webster, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 8 p. m. Oct. 5 for an issue of 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) school bonds not to exceed \$35,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the Peoples Bank & Trust Co., of Westfield. Due \$3,000 Sept. 1 1922, and \$4,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1923 to 1930, incl. Cert. check on an incorporated bank or trust company, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Custodian of School Moneys. Legality approved by Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt, of New York; will be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., of New York. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WHITE COUNTY (P. O. Monticello), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Sept. 28 by E. B. Steely, County Treasurer, for \$8,000 4½% J. L. Ackerman et al Union Twp. road bonds. Denom. \$800. Date Sept. 7 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$800 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1925, incl.

WICHITA FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wichita Falls), Wichita County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—A 5% 10-40 year bond issue amounting to \$300,000 was registered with the State Comptroller on Sept. 16.

WILSON COUNTY (P. O. Wilson), No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—John R. Dildy, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids, according to reports, until 12 m. Oct. 11 for \$43,000 hospital bonds at not exceeding 6% interest.

WINNINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Crewe), Nottoway County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—C. E. Wilson, Chairman, will sell at public auction at the Bank of Crewe, Crewe, at 1 p. m. to-day (Sept. 25) \$25,000 6% 10-30 year (opt.) coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann.

WYANDOTTE, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND ELECTION.—It is reported that two propositions calling for the issuance of \$85,000 park impt. and \$80,000 filtration-system completion bonds will be voted upon at the November elections.

YELLOWSTONE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Billings), Mont.—BOND SALE.—Taylor, Ewart & Co., of Chicago, and Bosworth, Chanute & Co., of Denver, jointly purchased the \$100,000 6% school bonds which were mentioned in V. 111, p. 916.

YUBA CITY, Sutter County, Calif.—BONDS VOTED.—On Sept. 1 the following bonds were voted, it is stated: \$6,500 sewer bonds. Vote, 131 to 45. 16,900 water-works-extension bonds. Vote, 141 to 37. 12,500 street bonds. Vote, 125 to 47.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities

CHICOUTIMI, Que.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.—Tenders will be received by O. Tremblay, Municipality Clerk, until Sept. 27 for the following 5½% debentures: \$8,900 maturing May 1 1921, and \$91,100 maturing May 1 1930. Denom. \$100 and \$500. Prin. and int. payable in Montreal and Quebec.

ESSEX BORDER UTILITIES COMMISSION, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—The block of \$117,615 6% 28-installment debentures offered unsuccessfully on June 25—V. 111, p. 317—were re-offered on Sept. 13 and awarded to Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto at 90.55 and interest.

ETOBICOKE TOWNSHIP, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—C. H. Burgess & Co. of Toronto have purchased, it is stated, an issue of \$17,361 6½% 5-installment debentures at 98.07.

GRAVENHURST, Ont.—DEBENTURES OFFERED LOCALLY.—The town is selling locally, it is stated, an issue of \$5,000 6% 10-installment debentures.

LISTOWEL PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (P. O. Listowel), Ont.—LOCAL DEBENTURE OFFERING.—An issue of \$5,000 6% debentures being sold to local investors, it is stated.

MEOTA, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—The village, according to reports, has been given permission by the Local Government Board to issue \$3,000 8% 15-installment well-drilling-payment debentures.

MINITONAS, R. M., Man.—DEBENTURES OFFERED.—An issue of \$50,000 6% 30-installment coupon road debentures is being offered on Oct. 1, proposals to be addressed to John H. Cannon, Minitonas.

MOSSBANK, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—The Local Government Board has given the village authority to issue \$3,000 8% 10-year installment fire-protection debentures, it is reported.

OWEN SOUND, Ont.—DEBENTURES TO BE ISSUED.—Newspaper report that \$87,000 6½% debentures will be issued in the near future.

PRINCE GEORGE, B. C.—DEBENTURE SALE.—Unofficial reports state that an issue of \$35,000 6% debentures has been sold to the National Bond Corporation, of Vancouver.

ST. MARY'S, Ont.—DEBENTURE ELECTION.—It is reported that on Oct. 2 a by-law to issue \$16,000 local-impt. debentures will be submitted to the voters for approval.

SARNIA, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that an issue of \$128,000 6% 20-year installment hydro debentures has been awarded to the Dominion Securities Corporation of Toronto, at 93.493, a basis of about 6.84%.

SASKATCHEWAN (Province of)—DEBENTURE SALE.—The \$3,000,000 6% debentures, offered on Sept. 21 (V. 111, p. 1202), were awarded it is stated, to Wood, Gundy & Co., of Toronto, who bid 94.68 for 20-year bonds, payable in Canada only, which is on a 6.48% basis.

SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS.—DEBENTURE SALE.—The following, according to the "Monetary Times" of Toronto, is a list of debentures, aggregating \$49,750, reported sold by the Local Government Board from Aug. 19 to 25: Molewood, \$4,200; North Regina, \$3,000 Batestown, \$3,500—Waterloo-Waterbury Mfg. Co., Regina; Naseby, \$1,700; J. Matcham, Saskatoon; Colonay, \$3,000; Monarch Life Assurance, Winnipeg; Gray Valley, \$1,750; M. Middlemiss, Wolseley; Darmody, \$7,000; Nay & James, Regina; Khedive, \$18,000, \$7,000 to Mr. Rooney, Regina; Alings, \$600; L. Clark, Prince Albert.

TORONTO TOWNSHIP (P. O. Cooksville), Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—On Sept. 14 Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto were awarded \$37,000 6% 20-year public school debentures for \$34,828 (94.13) and interest, a basis of about 6.53%.

VEGREVILLE, Alta.—DEBENTURES OFFERED LOCALLY.—A block of \$17,000 debentures is being offered "over the counter" to local investors, according to reports.

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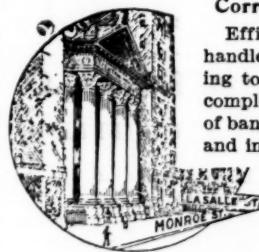
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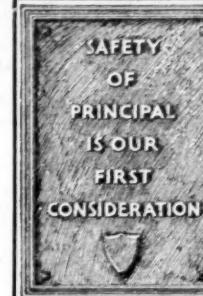
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